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### WHITEAWAY'S

## Far East Events Expected Very Soon

TOKYO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The British Ambassador Sir Robert Craigie called at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

With both Sir Robert Craigie and the American Ambassador Mr Joseph Grew in Tokyo, important developments are expected very shortly.

### Envoy To Indo-China

TOKYO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Japan is to send a special envoy with the full rank of ambassador to Indo-China "in order to strengthen the friendly ties between the two countries."

The Vichy Government have accepted the Japanese proposal which is, in the words of Hiroshi's official statement, "in keeping with the spirit of joint defence of Indo-China as concluded between Japan and France."

### Saigon A.R.P.

SAIGON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Saigon municipal authorities are taking steps to repair and extend the present air raid shelter facilities.

**Boundary Commission**

SAIGON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Thai delegation to the Boundary Commission arrived to-day overland from Bangkok.

It is understood that meetings, which will begin very soon, are likely to include economic discussions.

## Washington Watching Thailand

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (UP).—There is evidence here of a firm and clear position toward any crisis which further Japanese movement against Thailand would precipitate.

The Australian Premier's plan for a Cabinet session and the comment made by Sir Frederick Stewart, the Australian Minister of External Affairs, are considered indicative of the gravity with which Australia regards the Japanese intention to extend influence in Thailand.

Observers here noted that Sir Frederick's thought was substantially similar to the views indicated by Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, namely, that the Japanese policy has the effect of encircling herself, and that any aggressive pressure would come from Japan.

It is understood that the United States exchange of information with the British Empire countries has been especially thorough and continuous. However, the United States position in the Pacific has still to be officially described.

### Australia Producing Speediest Aircraft

SYDNEY, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—It is stated that the Beaufort medium torpedo bomber now being manufactured in Australia is the fastest of its type in the world, even faster than that made in Britain.

In 1942, Australia hopes to produce £20,000,000 worth of planes.

## Futile Dive-Bombing By Stukas at Tobruk

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

CAIRO, Aug. 11.—"The situation at Tobruk has achieved the paradox of being at once extremely lively and entirely stable," declared an English Captain who has just returned from there with others of Tobruk's garrison for a spell of leave.

"Our Axis pals seem slow in learning from our mistakes, for they still persist in Stuka dive-bombing which is very wasteful as regards bombs which rarely do anything but bury themselves in the sand."

"I have experienced hundreds of Stuka raids and their effect is really negligible although the enemy seem to think that our nerves are shaken by them."

The Captain said that his leave was heavily bombed as the Tobruk harbour but was not hit.

## GERMAN DESIGNS ON CRIMEA: TURKEY FEELS NEW MENACE GROWING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, AUG. 11 (UP).—BEST INFORMED MILITARY CIRCLES BELIEVE THAT FROM 250 TO 300 GERMAN BARGES EACH CAPABLE OF CARRYING ABOUT 400 MEN, AS WELL AS A DOZEN U-BOATS WHICH FOR SEVERAL MONTHS HAVE BEEN LYING AT CONSTANZA WILL SOON BE IN ACTION IF THE GERMAN TROOPS WHO HAVE PENETRATED SOUTHWEST OF KIEV CAN DRIVE SOUTHWARDS TO THE BLACK SEA AND OCCUPY ODESSA, NIKOLAIV AND KHERSON.

Foreign military observers understand that the Russians are already withdrawing troops from Odessa to avoid encirclement. If the German manoeuvres succeeded, it is believed likely that the Germans will try to move the barges to Odessa where they might successfully land in Crimea at Innagull and Karkint, and take the great naval base at Sebastopol from the land side. Such a naval landing would have the advantage of avoiding the necessity of fighting across the narrow neck of land leading to Crimea.

## Anglo-Soviet Air Attacks on Reich

Joint Action Contemplated

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Aug. 11 (UP).—Joint British and Soviet air attacks on Berlin and other important centres in Germany will probably be launched soon.

It is understood that regular attacks by either the R.A.F. or the Red air forces on Berlin are likely. Some sources say that there will be British and Red bomber attacks in shifts on the same night.

It is pointed out that the present strain on both the British and Soviet air forces makes it impossible to carry out nightly non-stop hammer blows on Berlin, but the lengthening nights will enable increasingly heavy and more constant attacks on the Ruhr and the Berlin population whose morale is being regarded more and more seriously as a vital military objective.

## RUSSIAN RAIDS ON GERMANY

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Many incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military targets when Berlin was bombed by Soviet planes last night, according to Moscow Radio.

Large fires were observed from Soviet bombers, all but one of which returned safely.

**Heard In Suburbs**

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Despite the official German statement that raiding Russian bombers were turned back by anti-aircraft fire on Sunday night, they apparently reached some suburbs of Berlin.

According to the Berlin correspondent of the "Afton Bladet," the noise of the raiders was not heard in the centre of the capital but people in the suburbs declared that the sound of the Russian machines was clearly different from that of British planes.

### Explanation

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The following explanation was given by the German military spokesman to-night over the German wireless: The Soviet High Command knew that it had no superiority in the air and that was why they were now carrying out propaganda flights in which they dropped bombs on Reich territory. Although only a small number of planes were sent, Soviet propaganda tried to magnify the results of these attacks which had no military value.

## Japanese Leaving Singapore

SINGAPORE, Aug. 11 (Central News).—The first group of Japanese to evacuate Malaya following the worsening of the Far Eastern situation left Singapore yesterday and many others are expected to follow shortly.

The biggest difficulty in the Japanese evacuation is lack of transportation facilities owing to the closure of Japanese shipping lines and it is reported that a request has been made to the Japanese Government for a special ship to evacuate Japanese from Singapore.

The Japanese here are determined to send their families back to Japan as soon as transportation is available. Japanese firms in Malaya are obliged to curtail their staffs following the freezing order.

## Polish Army To Fight With Soviets

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—As a preliminary to the formation in Russia of a Polish Army equipped with the latest American material, the Soviet Government have accepted a Military Mission headed by General Szyzko Bohusz, who is empowered to conclude a Polish-Soviet military agreement.

General Sikorski, the Polish Premier, disclosed this at a Polish military rally in Scotland when he declared: "The Polish-Soviet agreement has brushed aside all sentimental considerations. The Polish nation took a decidedly anti-German stand in September, 1939 in a life and death fight and it will follow this road to the end. This attitude is dictated not only by our own interests but also by the united British camp of liberty and freedom."

Military quarters believe that the ultimate invasion of Crimea would involve a movement across the Black Sea from Constanza or Vargaz where big Rumanian ships are taking refuge but this is considered almost impossible because the Russian fleet effectively patrols the narrow point of the Black Sea between Sebastopol and the Turkish coast.

### TURKEY UNEASY

ISTANBUL, Aug. 11 (UP).—There is growing uneasiness here as the reported unusual troop movements in Bulgaria and southeastern Europe continue to be substantiated. German troops, reported to be from Libya and still wearing their desert kits have been seen in large groups in Bulgaria.

## FLEET AIR ARM IN ACTION

In Mediterranean

CAIRO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—An attack by the Fleet Air Arm against a large merchant ship at Syracuse in Sicily and activity by the R.A.F. in North Africa are reported in a Royal Air Force Middle East communiqué issued to-day.

"On Saturday night, Blenheim of the R.A.F. attacked repair shops at Bardia, starting a number of large bright fires. Enemy landing grounds at Gazala were also bombed and machine-gunned."

"Yesterday Maryland bombers of the South African Air Force carried out attacks on enemy positions, motor vehicles and personnel in the neighbourhood of Bardia."

### Ground Strafing

"Tripolitania. — On Saturday, R.A.F. bombers demolished barracks and a block house south of Misurata and also attacked enemy motor transport vehicles and petrol trailers in the same neighbourhood. All trailers were holed by machine-gun bullets and several lorries were overturned and destroyed. The formation then attacked two large ammunition and supply dumps at Buerat. Ammunition was exploded and personnel standing by were killed or wounded."

"Sicily.—Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm made a torpedo attack on a large merchant vessel at Syracuse on Saturday. A quantity of bombs was also dropped at Augusta, one making a direct hit on a gasometer. From these operations all our aircraft returned safely."

## LATEST

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### BIG DECISIONS MAY BE MADE

## Vichy Ministers Continue Talks

VICHY, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Discussions between Vichy Ministers which have followed closely upon each other since Saturday were continued this morning, states the Vichy news agency.

They included an interview to-day between General Huntziger, Minister of War, and General Weygand, Marshal Petain's Delegate-General in North Africa. Other ministerial talks are going on at the same time.

The Vichy agency says: "These discussions have given the impression of wide-scale consultation, of which the Cabinet Council expected this afternoon would appear to be the crowning point. They have been conducted in an atmosphere of complete calm, presaging no crisis. No sign of nervousness has been perceptible."

In support of this, the agency mentions the attendance of Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan and other ministers at theatrical and operatic performances.

## MANCHUKUO ADOPTS PRECAUTIONS

Russo-Japanese Parleys Denied In Capital

HSINKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Far Eastern interest to-day seems centred on the South Pacific rather than here and it cannot be said that there is any outstanding change in Russo-Japanese relations, at least as viewed from the confines of Manchukuo. Here official utterances invariably re-echo Tokyo's sentiments.

The tension which followed Mr. Matsuo's departure from the Cabinet a few weeks ago is now noticeably lessened.

Rumours emanating from Shanghai that new Russo-Japanese negotiations are taking place are emphatically denied by high Foreign Office officials. Interviewed by "Reuters" correspondent, other members of the Government similarly emphasize that any precautions which may be apparent in Manchukuo are of a purely defensive nature.

The Russo-German fighting is arousing the greatest interest here and each plan of the fighting is closely followed in the press which splashes on the front page all available details.

### Foreign Communities

Foreign communities, particularly the English and American, whose unenviable position cannot be denied, are watching events closely. In these circles however, it is felt that even if sparks must fly it will be in the East rather than in the north that the tinderbox will be found.

Britons in Manchukuo, excluding Kwantung leased territory number

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### No Personalities

Well-informed circles are reported as stating the view that any announcement of an important decision concerning foreign policy in the immediate future is out of the question, says the agency.

The agency also says: "Contrary to certain allusions in the Paris press, there would appear to have been no personal questions involved, the talks being directed to an effective understanding between all members of the Government who gave their views on many problems approached."

### Issue Being Forced

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The political tension in Vichy remains

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## THREAT TO DAKAR

Nazi Infiltration To Be Expected

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The looming threat to Dakar occupies a prominent place in London Press comment to-day. "The Times" leader says that "There seems no limit to the prevarication and distortion of facts to which Vichy will not descend in pursuit of the policy of collaboration with Hitlerite Germany."

"A thick veil is held over what is going on in French north and Northwest Africa, but Great Britain and the United States must be prepared at any time to find themselves confronted with German infiltration on the Syrian model, involving the use of Dakar and other bases against British and American shipping in the south Atlantic."

"The hasty exit of the Germans and Italians as soon as the Allied forces had crossed the Syrian border was made the basis of dangerous protests by Vichy, who calmly ignoring all that had gone before argued that since the Germans and Italians had already gone there was no longer any reason for the British to do anything about it."

### American Interests

"The same attitude stamps their reply to the American demand for

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## Australian Minister Utters Stern Warning

Special to the "Telegraph"

DES MOINES, Iowa, Aug. 11 (UP).—The Australian Minister, Mr Richard Casey addressed the Iowa Department of the American Legion this evening and declared that the Nazis are seeking by fighting or threats, to dominate the entire world, including South America where, he charged, thousands of Nazi agents are now working.

He was of the opinion that the events of the past two years vindicated Australia's prompt decision to enter the war at the outset, and that the United States had regarded the struggle as a European war and had underestimated the scope of Hitler's ambition which had progressively expanded during the last two years.

"Hitler ravaged over eleven nations and is now engaged in a terrible war with Russia. You know what is going on in the East. You know what is happening in South America. You know what may happen again in Northwest America," Mr Casey declared. "The ring is closing in. Hitler's plan is far enough developed that the purpose of it is plain and cannot be concealed any more."

He asserted that Germany "has thrown millions of troops against

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4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.

5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.

6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of loss of, or damage to entries.

7.—All entries to be either black and white, or in sepia tones, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.

8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.

9.—No pictures to be entered in more than one Section.

10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 10x20.

11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.

12.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.

13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.

14.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the Telegraph Office within seven days.

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The Registrar of Shares of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1941, to MONDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,

Secretary and Manager.

Hong Kong, 11th August, 1941.

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China and Macao

10 cents per copy

British and Foreign

20 cents per copy

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## Free French Move

### Eager Response To Appeal On Continent

A telegram has been received by the Free French Association in Hongkong from General de Gaulle's Headquarters in London stating:

According to information received from various sources the French masses eagerly responded to the appeal made by Free France for May 11, St. Joan of Arc's Day. In Bordeaux roughly 10,000 people marched through the streets and a collective letter of protest was put on the Mayor's desk. At Nantes 80,000 patriots covered the graves of English airmen with flowers. In every town of Normandy and Brittany crowds gathered on the public squares. In Nice and Cannes the streets were decked with flags, of which the shops soon found themselves short. Insults were shouted at the Italians.

In Paris the Germans had taken special precautionary measures; gendarmes were shoulder to shoulder the whole length of Rue de Rivoli and neighbouring streets in order to block the approach to the statue of Joan of Arc. Nevertheless at the appointed time all along the boulevards, the Rue Royale and the Champs Elysees, cries of "Vive de Gaulle," mingled with stanzas from the Marseillaise, were heard. The Marseillaise was also sung under the windows of the Commandantur by tens of thousands. A vast procession went up towards the Arc de Triomphe. At the windows of the Hotel Crillon which they had requisitioned, the Germans were looking on, defied by a crowd of thousands.

This result, obtained by a few appeals on the radio, illustrates the prestige of General de Gaulle whose name has become the symbol of resistance and of French patriotism.

### Further Evidence

A telegram, received in Hongkong by the Free French Association from General de Gaulle's Headquarters in London, states: During the fighting in Syria reinforcements were sent by Vichy through Germany and the Balkans. A great number of the men sent in this way have now rallied to de Gaulle. It has been revealed from unanimous reports by officers that their crossing of French occupied territory gave rise to countless hostile manifestations on the part of the puppet. Stones were thrown at the trains and many windows were shattered. Everywhere the crowd lunged threats at the men and called them traitors.

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H. K. S. T. Short Service of Inter-

cession.

12.30 Paul Whiteman and His Or-

chestra.

12.50 Negro Spirituals.

I Don't Feel No Ways Tired; Deep

River (Arr. Burleigh)... Marian An-

derson (Contralto) with Piano; Help

Me To Fly Over Jordan (Traditional

—arr. Sam Manning)... Sam Man-

ning's West Indian Rhythm Boys.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Pro-

gramme Summary.

1.02 Light Variety.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and

Announcements.

1.45 Schumann—Concerto in D

Minor.

Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and The

Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra

of New York cond. by John Bar-

birolli.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quota-

tions.

6.4 An Irving Berlin Programme.

I'm Sorry For Myself; When Winter

Comes (Both from film "Second

Fiddle")... Mary Healy with Or-

chestra; "On The Avenue"—Piano

Medley... Vivian Ellis; A Little Old

Church In England; Because I Love

You... Barry Wood (Baritone) with

Orchestra; Easter Parade; Say It

With Music (Both from film "Alex-

ander's Ragtime Band")... Henry

King and His Orchestra; Alexander's

Ragtime Band (From film)... The

Boswell Sisters (Vocal) with Orches-

tra.

7.15 Billy Mayerl at the Piano.

7.30 Portuguese Programme.

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Com-

mentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening

Post.

Examination of Points in Daily

German Propaganda.

9.30 Programme Summary.

9.32 Primo Scala's Accordion Band

and Dick Todd (Vocal).

9.50 Local Time Signal and An-

ouncement.

9.52 Studio—"A Marriage Has

Been Arranged."

A One-act Play by Alfred Sutra.

Produced by Leonard Starbuck.

9.55 The New Symphony Orchestra

Value Triste ("Kuolema"—Sibe-

lius); Solenne Melody (Walter

Davies); "Honey Viti" Dances (Ed-

ward German); Shepherd's Dance;

Morris Dance; Torch Dance; Mediter-

ranean (Bax).

9.55-10.00 News in French (On

Short Wave Only).

9.45 List—Ballade in B Minor.

Louis Kentner (Piano).

10.00 London Relay—The News

and News Commentary.

10.15 BBC Recording—"The Land

We Defend"—The Western Highlands

and Islands.

10.48 Compositions of Eric Coates.

Four Ways Suite; Northwards—

Southwards—Eastwards—Westwards

...The New Light Symphony Or-

chestra; A Song Remembered. John

McCormack (Conductor) with Piano;

London Bridge March. The New

Light Symphony Orchestra; Music

Of The Night... John McCormack

(Tenor) with Piano; By The Sleepy

Loggion... Orchestra Raymond.

11.15 Close Down.

### Week's Programmes

In addition to the usual news commentaries the following items from London will be incorporated in ZBW's programme this week.—On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights at 11 o'clock there are further talks in the series "Britain To-day," "War Correspondents" and "Makers of History." On Saturday night at 8.30 the special programme for British Forces in the Far East will be broadcast, and at 11.15 there is the variety show "Old Mother Riley Takes the Air."

Here are principal features of the week's local programmes:

Following the 9 o'clock local time signal to-night, Leonard Starbuck will produce a one-act play by Alfred Sutra, entitled "A Marriage Has Been Arranged," from the Studio of ZBW. At 10.15, another interesting feature programme on the Western Highlands and Islands, in the series "The Land We Defend," will be broadcast; these programmes are specially recorded for broadcasting by the B.B.C.

At 8.40 on Wednesday night Father Ryan will commence a new series of talks from the Studio. This series is on "English Humour" and the subject of this week is Butler's "Hudibras."

Immediately after the 8.30 Programme Summary on Thursday night, Leonard Jordan (baritone), accompanied by E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano, will give a recital from the Studio. The 9 o'clock local time signal will be followed by John Abbott's weekly presentation of new gramophone records.

From 9 until 10 o'clock on Friday night there is a Classical Request programme for which listeners are invited to send in, requesting any items they may care to hear. All requests must reach the Secretary not later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 13. At 10.25 that night will be Brahms's Sextet No. 3 in B minor, Op. 108, played by Joseph Szigeti and Egon Petri. This work will be preceded by a short explanatory talk by "Eyre."

Sunday's luncheon programme opens at 12.15 with the second act of Verdi's "Aida," and immediately after the 1 o'clock local time signal will be Brahms's Sextet No. 3 in B minor, Op. 108, played by Joseph Szigeti and Egon Petri. This work will be preceded by a short explanatory talk by "Eyre."

News in French is broadcast daily from 9.45 p.m. to 10 p.m. on short wave only, and programmes in Portuguese are given bi-weekly on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7.30 to 8 p.m.

All times given in this summary are Hongkong Summer Time, which is nine hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.

## Immigration Permits

### Forgeries Discovered On Arrivals from Macao

A warning to the public to be more careful when obtaining immigration permits was made by Mr J. H. B. Lee, Immigration Officer, in an interview when he confirmed a report that four Chinese passengers from Macao had been detained for possession of forged permits. They will be sent back by the Department to-day.

Mr Lee said that forged permits had disappeared since March, when the Police stopped the racket which was rampant both here and in Macao. The re-appearance of forged permits showed that a gang is at work again, and their activities were made possible by the fact that there are a large number of persons who thoughtlessly ask hotel servants or other irresponsible persons to get permits for them instead of going direct to the Immigration Office or to one of the recognised agents.

Quite a number of forged permits had been detected recently, Mr Lee added, and although none had been forged in Hongkong, he believed that the main base used by the Macao forgers was obtained from here, as the forgeries were quite good. He refused to disclose the exact nature of the forgeries and their weak points.

## DONATIONS TO FUNDS

### From Gala Show

Yesterday's donations to the Bomber Fund included a cheque for \$1,000 from the King's Theatre and Universal Pictures Corporation of China, representing the entire proceeds of the gala performance of "Forty Thousand Horses." The sum now reached the total of \$2,457,520.11. The following is the latest list:

Prison Officers' Club (tenth donation) ..... \$ 50  
Hockien Luen (fourteenth donation) ..... 21  
Entire Proceeds of Gala Performance of "Forty Thousand Horses" ..... 1,000  
The King's Theatre and Universal Pictures Corporation of China ..... 1,000  
The following monthly donations to the Bomber Fund were also received:  
Mr and Mrs S. Mason ..... \$25  
Mr J. D. McLachlan ..... 25  
Mr L. A. Sterling ..... 50  
B. W. O. F.

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Previously acknowledged, \$115 and \$731.10.54.

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Miss Grace Ezra (monthly), \$10;  
The Hongkong Students Relief Association, \$100;  
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For employing animals to knit garments for children of bombed areas—Mrs. Min Shunick, \$10; Mrs. P. Cock, \$10; Mrs. E. Raymond, \$10; Mrs. D'Almeida, \$10; Mrs. A. Raymond, \$10; Mrs. M. Smith, \$10; Mrs. J. D. McLachlan, \$10; per Mrs. H. P. Phillips, \$11; "Sale of Needles," per Mr. H. K. 39; Quarry Day Working Party, \$10.00.

Total, \$731,560.17 and \$115.

### FOOD KITCHENS

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## China's Future

### Dr Sun's Plan For Vast Developments

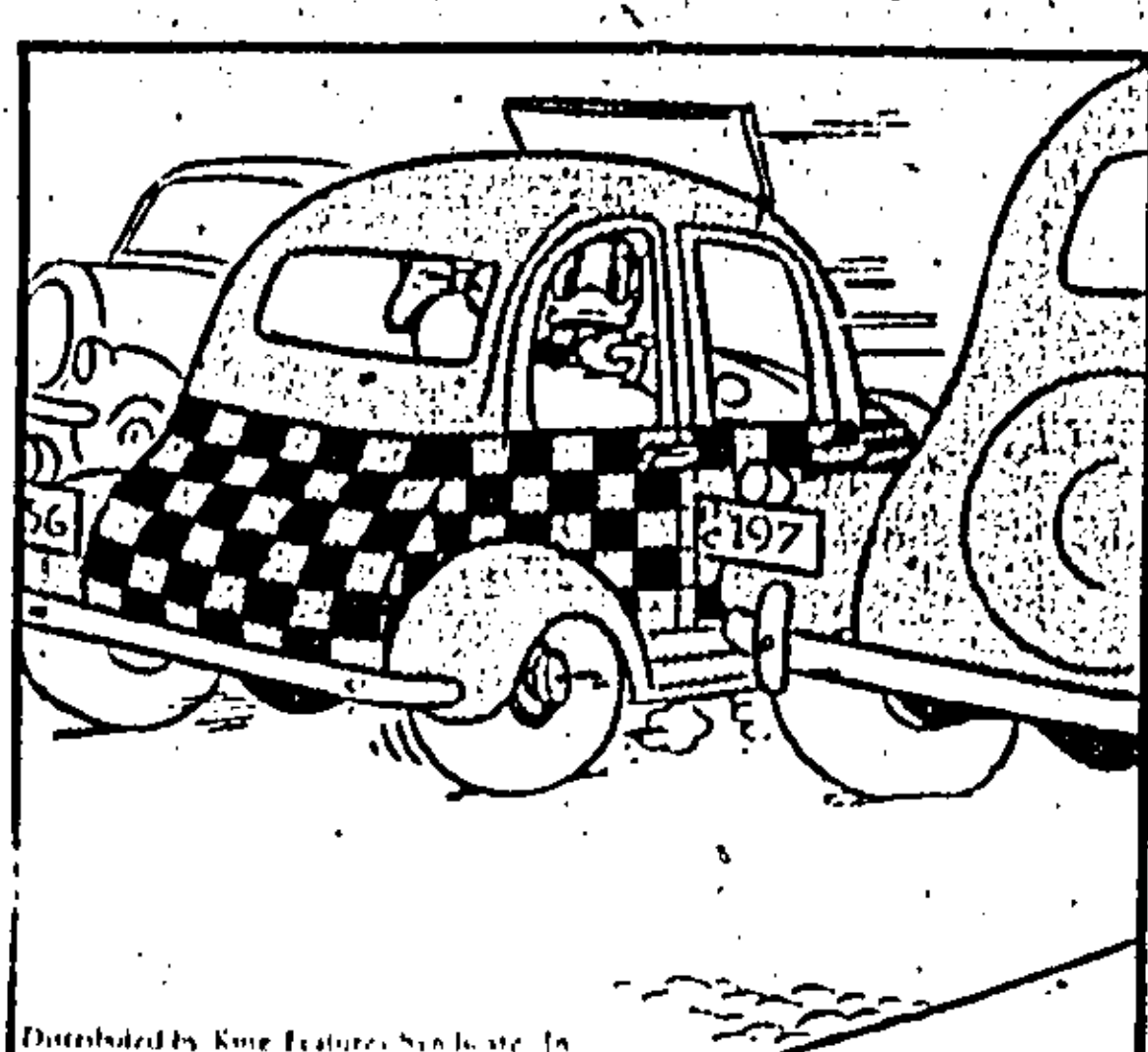
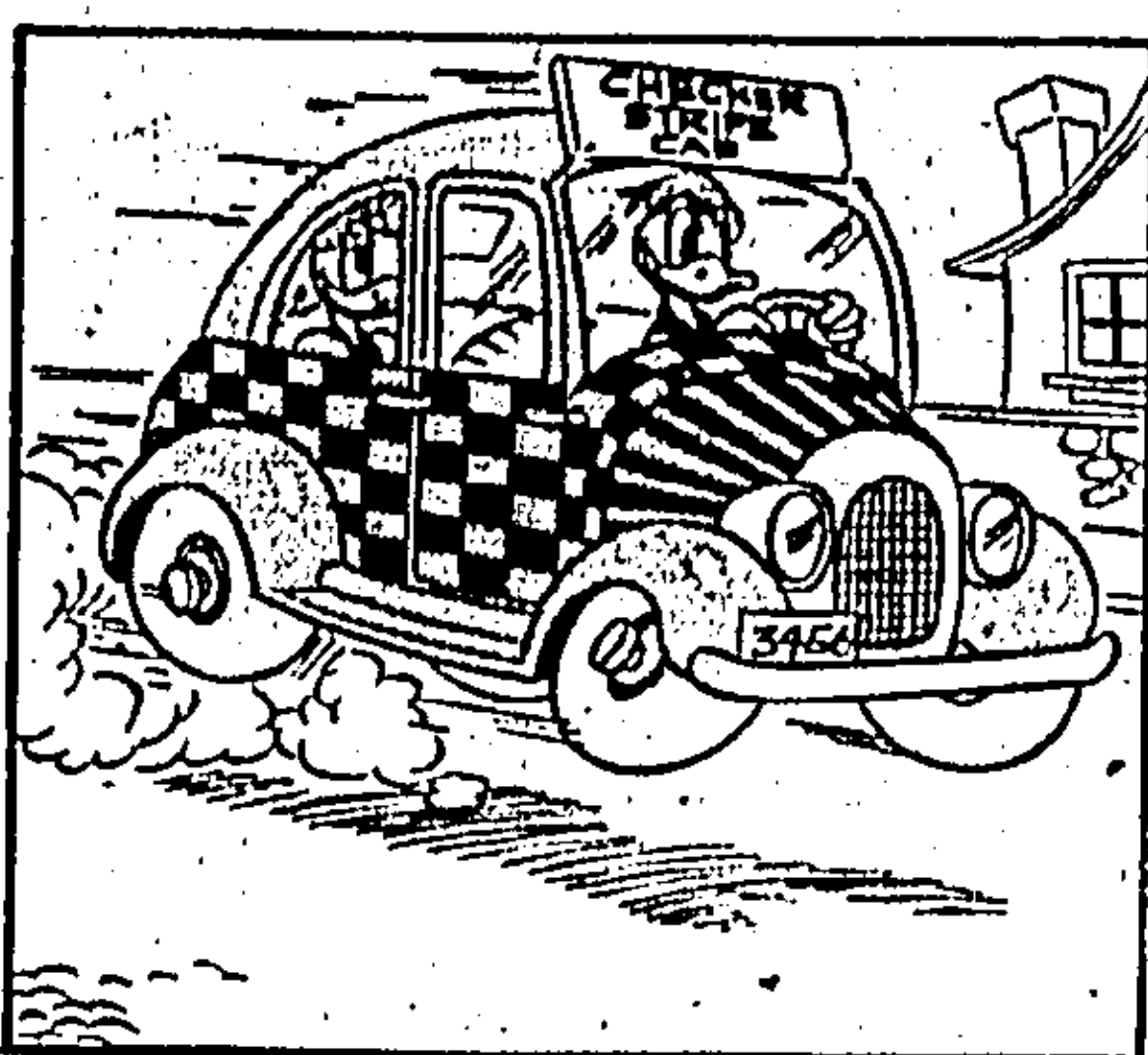
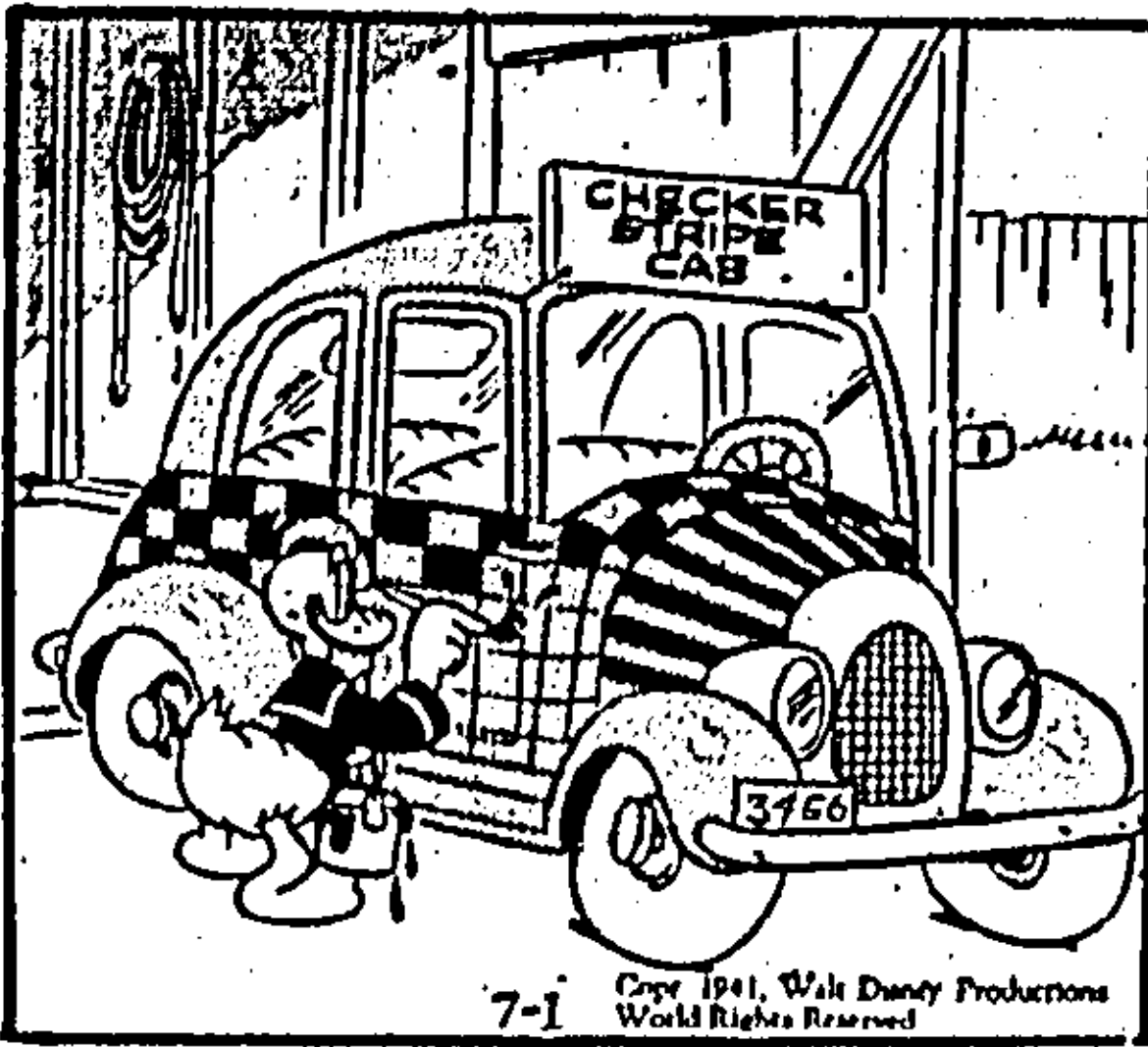
Leading bookstores in the Colony have now on sale a reprinted edition of Dr Sun Yat-sen's well-known book on "The International Development of China." The book had long been out of print, and there was a steady demand for it; furthermore, it has now become topical, as China's reconstruction programme is based on these plans of Dr Sun.

There are sixteen maps in the text and a folding map at the end; this last shows the suggested railway system which Dr Sun envisaged for covering the entire country with a vast network of speedy yet far behind the project, but there is no doubt that proper future development will require easy communications, and perhaps motor roads may take the place of many of the planned railways lines. The original scheme envisaged 1,000,000 miles of unenclosed roadways, besides 100,000 miles of rail.

Even partial carrying out of the scheme would prove a great revolution in Chinese communications, and it added to this the major



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## CONTRACT BRIDGE

How to Play  
How to Win

By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

### Placing The Lead

IN countless hands, the entire point of play is to keep one defender off the lead. Needless to say, this is not always possible, but the least a declarer should do is to make a valiant effort. Note to-day's deal.

Rubber bridge.  
Both sides vulnerable.  
South dealer.

♠ 853	♥ Q642	♦ A943	♣ J94
♠ 73	♥ 986	♦ 1095	♣ 10862
♠ AQ106	♥ K72	♦ K72	♣ K72
♠ 73	♥ 986	♦ 1095	♣ 10862

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass  
2NT Pass 3♥ Pass  
4♥ Dbl. Pass Pass

West's double was somewhat aggressive in that he had nothing in the trump suit, but, with the A-Q of spades and the K-Q of diamonds over South, who had bid notrump at one point, West felt that declarer would have his work cut out for him. He was right, but this particular declarer rose to the occasion.

West, in selecting his opening lead, could find nothing safer than a trump. A spade lead was not to be considered; a diamond lead risked the sacrifice of an honour; and finally, a club lead was dangerous because it might run up against the A-10 in dummy and the king in declarer's hand, or some such combination that would cost West his club stopper.

The opening trump lead was ducked in dummy, since declarer might urgently need dummy's queen for the later ruff of a diamond. Declarer, greatly, would have preferred leaving a diamond from dummy so as to be able to pass the trick into West, but he could not afford to play the heart queen or to take out the club ace for that

purpose. Hence he laid down the diamond ace from his own hand and followed it up with the diamond jack. It was his selection of the jack rather than a low diamond that led to the fulfilment of the contract. Most players in situations of this type automatically play a low card because they are merely clearing the suit preparatory to ruffing; they fail to consider that it may be possible to force the lead upon one defender rather than the other. Thus in this case if South had led a low diamond after the ace, East would have won and of course returned a high spade, whereupon declarer promptly would have lost three spade tricks.

With West on lead with the diamond queen, no attack could be made upon declarer's spade king. For want of a better play, West returned his remaining trump. Declarer won in his own hand, ruffed a diamond with a low trump, returned to the club king, and ruffed his last diamond with the heart queen. Now the club ace was cashed and a low club was led, declarer, however, a spade, West, back on lead, had to concede South's spade king and thus the contract was fulfilled.

If West had unblocked his high club and thus avoided the throw-in in clubs, the contract would have been defeated, but this required considerable foresight and, moreover, entailed the risk that West would be jettisoning his side's only club trick.

To-morrow's Hand

♠ J5	♥ K532	♦ A842	♣ 8642
♠ KQ1097	♥ A1097	♦ 1097	♣ 8642
♠ 843	♥ 1097	♦ 1097	♣ 8642
♠ K6	♥ 1097	♦ 1097	♣ 8642

How should this hand be bid?

## Far East Position If Russia Loses

By John King Fairbank

If Russia loses to Germany, what will happen in the Far East? This is a vital question for Americans because we really are involved in Asia just as much as in Europe.

The answer is most disquieting, more serious than we realise. If Hitler's blitz succeeds against European Russia, Germany will have a good chance of joining forces with Japan and developing an Axis battlefront in the Far East. German planes over Singapore and the Dutch East Indies may sound improbable, but it is not as improbable as many things that already have happened.

If Russia collapses in Europe, we can have no assurance that Russia in Siberia will not come to terms. The Red Army in the Far East has its own heavy industry base around Lake Balkhal, and is prepared for self-sufficiency in war against Japan. But it is still controlled from Moscow, and we cannot be certain that a compromise engineered by Moscow would not bring Siberia into Hitler's camp, perhaps without a shot being fired. In that case what would happen to the democratic front in Eastern Asia?

**Lines of Approach**  
If the Germans, by their fighting and bargaining, obtained a guiding hand over Soviet economy and the use of Soviet railroads and bases, the Far East then would be wide open to them, along several lines of approach.

First, in China. The strong point on our side here is the army of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in West China, which still is holding the Japanese and thus keeping them out of the Philippines and the Indies. But West China has at the back the vast province of Chinese Turkestan, through which have come Russian supplies along the 2,000-mile motor road from the strategic Turk-Sib (Turkistan-Siberian) railway. Russian supplies over this route until recently exceeded our own aid to China, and they went direct to Chiang's armies, not to the Chinese Communists.

**CENTRAL CHINA ROUTE**  
Hitler, once established in Siberia, could use this same route, bargaining with Chinese appenars to send supplies along it and by making offers to the Chinese Communists. In other words, the Nazis would have access to Free China and a chance to try their tactics of infiltration.  
It is not without significance that the first and only airline which successfully connected China and Europe across Central Asia was the German Lufthansa. German pilots and technicians are well acquainted with the route by air to China.  
The possibility is, therefore, that Germany, after getting control of Russia could influence China from the rear. First, by threats and, if that fails, by direct action, ring of trouble. The Mohammedans of Chinese Turkestan have a long tradition of rebellion against

### Catching the Chengtu Bus

Three men, well-dressed for summertime in Chungking, went to the Lianglukou bus station one day to ask when the bus for Chengtu would be leaving. The station-master said it would be a half-hour late, so the trio went across the street for a last sip of Soochwan's potent native nectar. Thirty minutes later they walked over to the depot and were told the bus would not start for another 15 minutes—so they crossed the road for another last drink.  
As they were draining their cups for the fourth time, they saw the Chengtu bus pulling out and all three ran unsteadily after the vehicle. Two of the men barely managed to hop on. The third, left behind, went to the wine shop for some liquid consolation. After one sip, he set his cup down and roared loud and long in laughter. The shopkeeper stepped over to ask the reason for the customer's sudden mirth.  
Explained the three-time patron of the day: "Do you remember the two men with me who caught the bus a while ago? Well, they came to see me off—Norman Soong, in 'China Fortnightly'."

**In this dispatch, written for the United Press, a member of the History Department of Harvard University and an expert on Far Eastern affairs, explains the significance of the United States' relations to the Far East in connection with the Russo-German war.**

**CHINA'S POSITION**  
China. Internally, China has recently experienced civil war between Chungking and the Communists.

Secondly, Hitler could try to influence China by an offer of tangible help. A strong China to keep Japan in check might be Hitler's game just as much as it is ours. By interceding with his Far Eastern ally, he might get Japan out of China in search of richer game to the south. By a combination of threats and cajolery, he might well confront Chiang Kai-shek with a bargain which he could not afford to refuse—favourable terms with Japan, German technicians to rebuild China, and German planes to defend it once rebuilt. In this way, he might be able to take China out of the war entirely.

The second and still greater danger, however, concerns German influence over Japan. Suppose, that by blitting and bargaining with Moscow, Hitler gains control over the Far Eastern bases of the Red Army. Before Japan is able to do so by a frontal attack.

**AIR POWER**  
German or Russian submarines from Vladivostok could hamstring the vast and incessant flow of Japan-

ese shipping, which is necessary to keep the war in China going. Japan would probably find it more feasible to stay in the Axis rather than oppose it.

There is one priceless aid Hitler can offer to the Japanese new order—air power. The secret of Japan's inaction in southeast Asia has lain in that same word, air power. The Anglo-American front at Singapore lacks ships, but it boasts of planes. Twenty-one flying fortresses have been sent to Hawaii, whence they could proceed to Manila or Singapore in a few days. American fighter planes are already at Manila, and bombers can be sent there any time by air.

The Japanese know that a 1,500-mile supply line through the south China Sea from their bases at Formosa or Hainan could not be maintained without air protection. Without such a supply line to back up her armed forces Japan cannot afford to descend upon the Indies or Singapore, and must instead try to move bit by bit down through the jungle and mountains of the Malay Peninsula.

### BREAKING STALEMATE

The Japanese aircraft industry is notably weaker than the Anglo-American. But with Hitler supplying the air force the whole Far Eastern stalemate could be broken overnight. What this country has most to fear is a combination of Japanese sea power with German air power, which would make us fight in the Philippines and at Singapore. A small amount of German help could serve as a catalyst for Japanese action.

If Germany controlled Russia we might also, of course, expect trouble via Alaska, where we would then be like England, within eyeshot of German bases. Russian fortifications in Bering Strait and a submarine base not far away have been reported. The implications of a Russian collapse are that Germany could enter the Far East, putting pressure upon both China and Japan, perhaps taking China out of the war and realising Japan into action against us.

## Japan Taxed For Not Keeping Promises

By Robert Bellaire  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

**TOKYO, Aug. 8 (UP).**—An important objective of Japan's new campaign to strengthen the Japanese-sponsored Nanking government is to pave the way for direct negotiations with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, according to Shigeru Kamio, editorial adviser of the influential daily, "Asahi Shimbun."

Kamio said the main reason Japan has been unable to negotiate peace with Chungking was that the Generalissimo does not trust Japan. Writing in the magazine, "Faireku," Kamio said the Japanese government should therefore demonstrate in all its dealings with the Nanking regime, that all of Japan's promises will be carried out to the letter.

**Policy Criticized**  
Kamio said even though the "war faction" in Chungking might refuse to talk peace with Tokyo after Japan had fulfilled all her promises to Nanking, Japan's actions, nevertheless, would alienate the Chinese people from Chiang Kai-shek and lead to the collapse of his government.  
Kamio criticised Japan's recent China policy on grounds of too much attention to military phases and inadequate regard for political and economic problems.

Discussing Japan's economic policies in China, Kamio said: "Since last summer, restrictions on trading have prevented the smooth circulation of materials. In other words, too many technicalities and want of sufficient statesmanship have caused a splendid opportunity for winning over the Chinese people to slip by."  
"Another economic mistake is that authorities in China have tried to secure goods by means of paper currency without supplying goods in exchange. In the spirit of the Sino-Japanese peace treaty (between Tokyo and Nanking), Japan must supply the Chinese whatever materials they need at the same time she takes materials from them."  
Kamio also advocated greater speed in the return of Chinese properties to the rightful owners, and criticised the tendency of the Japanese in China to create too many monopolies, which force Chinese investors out of business. He said

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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Open space in wood
- Transparent (col.)
- Come in
- Cause of anything
- Black
- In bed
- Worship
- Defeat
- Disastrously
- Goats (Scottish)
- Ment
- Wander
- Supporting bone
- Portions of medicines
- Product of confusion
- Former coins of Venice
- Western state
- Wanders
- Former gathering
- Years of life
- Divided word
- Laughed away
- Portions of darkness
- Partially drawn by tractor
- Measure measure
- Pintal duck
- Partially loose rock particles
- Metallic element
- Keep away from
- State too
- Disturbance
- Modern harpichord

DOWN

- Graduate (col.)
- Morden
- Disturbance
- Put into action
- Most terrible
- Deserted wicks
- Government in China
- Humbling excursion
- Alpine goat
- Yield
- Fruit drinks
- Cover
- Acquired knowledge
- Analyze grammar
- Species of willow
- Snail
- Stops
- Imaginedly anxious
- Small building
- Without walls
- Medicinal tree
- Celestial ceilings
- Place for sewing
- Clays
- Fundamental part
- Adapt
- Chinese clerkman
- Dips slightly
- Wick water
- Amphibian
- Soft earth
- Bohemian river
- Draxian sloth
- Measure
- Illish mountains

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### CUNNING MANOEUVRE

THE war in China goes on and on alongside the new developments, which are principally the occupation of French Indo-China and the threat to Russia—at the moment little more than an allegation. There is reason to think that the Japanese army of occupation in Indo-China will not seriously deplete Japan's strength in China and that this bold move which has been accomplished without a blow will not cost her dearly on the war fronts from which she has squeezed the few divisions dispatched to the south.

This force can be regarded as nothing more than a symbol of Japanese might for 50,000 troops would not get very far in the famous southward expansion. It is probably the inadequacy of the force that has toned down American and British reaction from an open break to a more or less friendly application of sanctions.

The Japanese are showing themselves remarkably cunning in this affair and success has already rewarded them in the tacit admission by the democracies that their coup is a fait accompli and nothing will be done about it provided that it is not carried further. The scare raised over Thailand serves the Japanese purpose too; it is a scare that may develop into a fire alarm for all of the South Pacific, but while it is kept smouldering it occupies the attention of the democracies in trying to stifle it and thus relegates to a secondary position the subjugation of Indo-China. In the meantime the Japanese can go ahead making an effective force of their symbolic southward expansion army, building a naval base from the fine facilities in Camranh Bay and accustoming the ambitious eyes of their aviators to the new star that has swum into their ken.

Rather unhappily for the Chinese they do not benefit as yet from the diversion of Japanese military forces to the north (the Manchukuoan border) and

THE long silence at Doorn was rarely broken in the post-war years. Of the countless human tragedies caused by the world war few can have awakened a smaller sympathetic response than that which befell the German Emperor.

William II did not want the war. In his own justification he has protested in the bitterness of his heart that he did not cause the war. But the almost universal belief in those terrible years that he was its author does not explain why the most glittering and powerful monarch of modern

times was left after his fall in an abyss of silent derision.

It was because he ran away that his figure dwindled into utter insignificance. From the moment it was known that with the collapse of German resistance he had stolen across the frontier into Holland his people ceased to have any further use for a man whose courage seemed to end in words.

He hated and feared England. Most of all he hated and feared his uncle, King Edward VII. Edward returned the compliment by scarcely troubling to conceal his contempt for Germany's knight in shining armour.

This is the kind of marginal note he wrote on documents dealing with the English King and English policy:

"Lies! The dog is lying! England! Uncle! a most charming fellow, this King Edward VII. Ineffable cheek! Pharisee! Rot! Twaddle! Bunkum! Hurrah, we've got the British scoundrels out this time!"

WHENEVER he opened his mouth about foreign affairs he managed to make mischief in some part of the world. He was boastful, vainglorious, self-assertive, obstinate. But his obstinacy was that of a weak man. In a crisis, or confronted with a strong personality, he sheltered himself behind words of boorish abuse.

There is no doubt something in the view of Emil Ludwig, one of his historians, that his uncontrolled arrogance developed from a thwarted childhood.

He was born with a withered left arm. Driven back upon himself by the necessity of hiding his infirmity and deprived in particular of the sympathy and good will of a mother who lavished her affections upon her younger children, his intolerable

the south (Indo-China)—in fact, from the latter they may expect new offensives against the Burma Road. The Japanese have established a large area between their permanent bases in China and the Chinese strongholds. By continuous thrusts by small well-armed veterans the invader keeps dispersing the defending forces and retains the initiative despite the disparity in numbers between the forces. Until the Chinese get some heavy artillery and planes they will continue to be kept at bay on all sectors by comparatively small Japanese garrisons while the armies of the New Order in Asia simultaneously press the offensive elsewhere.

The ex-Kaiser, Wilhelm II, died in June at Doorn, where he had been in exile for 23 years. In this picture, he is shown at right conferring with the late Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg in 1917.



# The Emperor Who Ran Away

By A. J. Cummings

self-conceit became in part a cumstances, putting his own destiny and the destiny of his Empire to the final test, was something for which he had never bargained. It is perhaps true to say that, in spite of all his blustering, buccaneering ejaculations, there was no ruler who dreaded war on the grand scale as much as William dreaded it.

He continued his reign as he began it, wrapped up in his own grandeur and in his conception of the divinity of kingship. His first act as Emperor was to appeal not to the people but to the Army. "I and the Army," he declared, "we were born for each other."

He got rid of Bismarck, who for more than thirty years had been the dominant power in Germany, and he made a sad mess of Bismarck's policy. Bismarck had two simple objects—the isolation of France and the consolidation of the German Empire. To this end he aimed at avoiding a risk of collision between Austria and Russia.

He made it a rule that Germany should not be on bad terms with Russia and Great Britain at the same time and that accordingly British sea-power should never be challenged. Bismarck had also encouraged France to gratify her ambition for colonial expansion in order to divert her energy from Europe.

THE Kaiser had two main obsessions. One was to build a navy to match the British Navy—Churchill infuriated him by calling it a luxury navy—and the other was concerned with the Yellow Peril in the Far East, which he painted in colours almost as lurid as those used until very recently by Hitler about Soviet Russia.

Nearly all his personal diplomatic excursions either fell flat or ended disastrously. It was beyond question his neurotic personal intrusions into the delicate machinery of European politics, coupled with his resolve to create an unconquerable fleet, which brought the French and British close together and produced the fateful military conversations between the two Governments.

An irresistible impulse was given to the war machine and war followed as night follows day. The Kaiser had chiefly himself to blame for the fact that world opinion fastened the guilt on himself and that he became the symbol of all the cruelties and injustices and blundering stupidities which culminated in the greatest crime humanity ever committed against itself.

The irony of it is that the bemuddled gladiator had no stomach for a stand-up fight. He was not averse from comfortable little wars conducted by other nations at his behest or in his Imperial interest. But a world war in unfavourable cir-

Russia was mobilising her army of a million along the frontier fell like a thunderbolt. The end had come. "If we are to bleed to death," was all he could say, "England shall at all events lose India." After all the fine martial phrases he had bestowed upon his army and directed against other nations, he entered upon war a desperate man.

"Let the politicians," he commanded, "hold their tongues in war-time until the strategists permit them to speak." Almost as soon as the words were out of his mouth he had become the victim and slave of his own reckless axiom.

He never risked his life. He remained aloof from the fighting fronts. In his public speeches he was full of bravado.

In his private talks he repeated and amplified the most extreme and absurd optimistic gossip. He refused to read adverse reports of the political or military situation. He disliked to have about him men ready to tell him the truth.

It must have been a terrible moment of illumination when he was told brusquely by General Groner that the Army was no longer behind him and would march quietly home only under its own generals.

He pondered but, rejected a hero's death.

The faithful Hindenburg's demand that he should abdicate and depart for Holland "without delay" left him lifeless with indecision. "I never will," he cried. "It would be like a captain deserting a sinking ship." But he went. "Well, if it must be so... but not before to-morrow morning."

And so in the early dawn the man who had made a thousand fiery speeches—the last proud representative of the Hohenzollerns, the great romantic—drove away for ever from the land of his bleak triumphs and final humiliation.

Not a courtier, not a friend, begged him to stay. Years afterwards Germany passed once more into servitude under another kaiser. But the new kaiser is a man of the people.

There were those who thought the end of a free republic might mean the recall of William to Potsdam. Hitler at least knew better than that. He knew that Germany would never call back the Emperor who ran away.

### GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"But why should I wear my own slacks, dear, when there's always such a lot of loose change in yours?"



## CHARITY CONCERT

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A fine programme of music is being arranged for the Massed Bands Concert to be given on the Hong Kong Cricket Club Ground on Saturday, August 23, at 8.30 p.m.

The combination of two such fine bands as the 1st Battalion Middlesex Regiment, and the 2nd Battalion The Royal Scots offers an exceptional treat to music lovers, and it is confidently expected that the concert will be well supported, especially when it is remembered that the proceeds will be devoted to the British Prisoners of War Relief Fund.

Tables seating parties of from four to ten may be booked in advance at a moderate charge of one dollar per person. Refreshments will be available on the ground at nominal prices. Further particulars appear in the advertising columns.

## Cab Drivers Strike

No Yellow Taxis; Dispute Over Dismissal

There were no Yellow Cabs on the streets yesterday as the drivers had gone on strike following two recent incidents.

On August 4 a driver was dismissed following a collision on the Peak and his colleagues, considering that he was not culpable, had considered making representations to the Company for his reinstatement.

On Sunday a dispute between two drivers who applied for leave and the Company ended in a deadlock and the drivers supported their colleagues by not attending duty yesterday.

Two conferences were held between the Company and representatives of the drivers, with the Labour Officer presiding, but last night no settlement had been reached.

## Sales of Cars

Government Adheres To Quota System

The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce yesterday received a letter from the Government supplementing the Gazette notification concerning sales of cars, to which reference was made in yesterday's S. C. M. Post.

It is explained that the quota system—as applied to imports—has not been abandoned. They will be free to import 25 per cent. of the average annual number of passenger cars imported for local registration during the three years 1937 to 1939. This gives a total figure for all firms of 138, which is the maximum number of passenger cars which may be imported for local registration during the period ending June 30, 1942.

In issuing permits, the Commissioner of Police will give priority to the requirements of (a) Government and the Services, (b) the taxicab companies (for which a reservation of 42 cars out of the total of 138 will be made). It is stated unofficially that the sale of used cars is also to be subject to permit. The Chamber of Commerce is seeking further particulars about this proposal.

Dealers express the hope that private individuals who consider they have a good claim to permission to buy a new car will make early application to the Commissioner of Police. This will facilitate the placing of orders with suppliers overseas.

## Navy Offered Yards Over Strikers

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Navy Department has been offered the Kearney Shipyard for "immediate possession and operation" by the Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Company.

Work at Kearney, New Jersey, is at a standstill following the strike of 16,000 workers, which is variously reported as involving the formation of a modified union shop and the presentation of wage increase demands.

Orders for \$403,000,000 worth of war and merchant shipping are in hand at these yards.

## Chungking Blitzkrieged

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Chungking had its worst aerial bombardment yesterday. During the last four days, the Japanese used 400 aircraft and dropped over 3,000 bombs.

For the first time yesterday, army planes were used.

## ALL-AMERICAN EAGLE SQUADRON

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A second All-American Eagle Squadron has been formed in the R.A.F., states the Air Ministry, and has already had its first encounter with the enemy.

As a result the squadron claims one Junkers 88 as "probably destroyed."

## Atlantic-Pacific Life-Line

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MEXICO CITY, Aug. 11 (UP).—President Manuel Comacho to-day ordered the National Railway Administration immediately to rehabilitate the 184 miles of rail lines across the Tehuantepec Isthmus between Puerto Mexico and Salina Cruz, which Government circles said would serve the hemisphere as a life line in the event of the Panama Canal becoming crippled.

## Sinkiang Govt And Nazi-Russo War

PESHAWAR, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—There has been a considerable improvement in the attitude of the Sinkiang Government towards British subjects following the Russo-German war, according to reports received here from Kashgar.

British and Afghan subjects who were arranging to leave the country have therefore, it is stated, decided to remain.

## China Relief Funds Will Benefit

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Aug. 11 (UP).—It is estimated that over 10,000 persons paid admission to the Chinatown Festival which was held over last week-end for the benefit of the China Relief Funds.

Screen celebrities attending the final night included Bob Hope, Marlene Dietrich and Edward G. Robinson. Victor MacLaglen's motor cycle corps headed the colourful Chinatown parade.

## LETTERS

Massed Bands Concert

The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir—It is rarely indeed that listening to an opportunity of two very fine British Military Bands. The forthcoming concert therefore, on the Cricket Club Ground is indeed a treat in store.

May I presume to make a couple of suggestions?

(1) That the Club grandstand be used as the bandstand. It is most suitably placed, and would greatly enhance the hearing, the ceiling and back acting as an excellent sound-board.

(2) In order to avoid annoyance and noise during rendering of items, would it not be possible to send the boys out for orders for and with refreshments, during the intervals between items?

MUSIC LOVER.

## CHINESE DOLLAR IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The publicity Minister Mr. Wang Shih-chieh, at a press conference this afternoon, stated that the Government were determined to stabilize the Chinese dollar in the Shanghai market.

He expressed confidence that the Government would be able to carry out the Government's decision and added that the necessary funds for the purpose were already being sent to the Board of the United States.

Mr. Wang revealed that four Chinese Government banks had received licences from Britain and the United States to supply foreign exchange to Chinese firms and merchants handling legitimate trade.

## Unemployment In Gt Britain

Decrease Continues

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The total registered unemployment in Great Britain on July 14 was: Men and Boys—115,682; Women and Girls—105,915.

Of these 33,000 men and 3,000 women were classified as unsuitable for ordinary industrial employment.

These figures show a decrease on the previous month of more than 24,000 unemployed. In fact the labour market has now become so "tight" that even men approaching the age of 80 are finding a demand for their services.

So urgent are the demands for labour in the London area that an "pool" has had to be made by transferring labour from one industry to another through the medium of industrial registration.

As younger women are absorbed into war industries, the older ones are taking their places in the less vital jobs such as distribution even where this is possible only on a part-time basis.

## Control Over Stock Exchange

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 11 (UP).—Morning papers in Tokyo to-day predicted that at the meeting this afternoon of the General Mobilization Investigation Council, Prince Konoye, Premier, will recommend a complete State control over the stock exchange—through restrictions in daily fluctuations.

## Emergence Of Canada As A Sea Power

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Canada is planning a ship-building programme including the construction of two destroyers and the launching of 1,000 tons of merchant ship-building next year.

This fresh aspect of the Allied war effort is among the topics being discussed by Mr. Angus MacDonald, the Canadian Navy Minister, Rear-Admiral Sir W. Welles, the Canadian Chief of Staff, Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, and other Admiralty officials in London this week.

**Technical Aid**

Mr. MacDonald told reporters that technical assistance was needed and he hoped to obtain this from Britain. The merchant ship-building programme was begun last summer and the first vessel would be ready for the end of the year. Next year he expected to have 100 new merchantmen on the water.

The whole scheme will come to maturity next year when it is expected that one million tons will be launched, but doubtless the figure will be increased in the following year.

"If trouble comes in the Pacific," Mr. MacDonald said, "all I am able to say is that Canada will dispose of its fleet to the best advantage. The first duty of our navy will be to defend Canada wherever that may take it."

Since war broke out, the Canadian Navy has grown from 13 ships to 250, and the personnel from 1,800 to 22,000.

## STOCK EXCHANGE

Firm Undertone

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quietly steady. Far Eastern uncertainties influenced the markets early but a firm undertone again became apparent towards the close.

Breweries and South American rails continued to advance on further buying while Japanese bonds had a downward trend, but elsewhere movements were generally trifling with gilt-edged and Kafores a shade lower, and oils and industrials well held.

## Common Defence Conference

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MONTVIDEO, Aug. 11 (UP).—The Minister of Defence to-day told the press that he would call an American nations for a military defence conference. The statement is the first official move for a hemisphere defence meeting.

The Defence Minister stated, "It is necessary as soon as possible to establish a formula for co-operation by all American nations for common defence. The moment for action has arrived."

## Few Raiders Over Britain

LONDON, Aug. 11 (UP).—A joint Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states that a few raiders flew off the east coast of England and Scotland last night but only one penetrated inland. "Bombs which were dropped at points in Scotland caused neither damage nor casualties."

**Inv. To Report**

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A report "was the terse communique issued this evening by the Ministry of Home Security."

## PIPING OIL ACROSS U. S.

Defence Measure

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A joint plan for the construction of a 1,820-mile oil pipe-line system has been submitted to Mr. Harold Ickes, the Petroleum Defence Administrator, by 11 large oil companies to-day.

The system would be capable of delivering 250,000 barrels of oil a day into the New York area from the southwest.

Planes call for an immediate start and completion within nine months. The formal agreement would be come effective as soon as Mr. Ickes approves the plan and the President proclaims the line necessary for national defence.

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A proclamation to this effect from the President would clear the way for the creation of a jointly-owned \$60,000,000 "National Defence Pipelines Inc." the financing of which is being arranged through private placement of five-year notes.

Field surveying by aerial photography is already under way. This will ensure the start of the initial project with minimum delay.

## One-Sided Basketball League Games

Two basketball matches in the Wu Tchi-chun Cup were played at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, yesterday, when Wah Kiu overwhelmed Ping Ching by 40-20, and Yu Leung beat Victoria Recreation Club 45-25.

Both games were of minor interest and one-sided. The Wah Kiu-Ping Ching match started with fast attack and counter-attack and at the interval the losers were led only by a single point, the score being 10-10.

In the second canto Ping Ching were completely out of form and were left far behind.

In their first appearance, V.R.C. were outplayed and were at no time within striking distance. Scores at the end of the first stanza were 21-14 in favour of Yu Leung.

## Scores

Wah Kiu—Tang Fuk-hon (25), Lau Ping-chun (8), Tang Yiu-ming (6), Ng Ho-fu (8), Luk Yan-kan (2).  
Ping Ching—Chan Yiu-ming (14), Cheng Yim-ming (14), Shing Yim-wing (3), Fung Chik-hung (1), Lo Pak-tat (4), Wong Ho-kwong (1), Fu Kwok-tung (2).  
Yu Leung—Ng Ching-an (17), Leung Wai-hung (14), Igo Sai-wong (4), Kam Yim (6), Sam Cho-wing (2), Wong Tung-cho (2).  
V.R.C.—Azeda (16), A. Alves (2), J. Xavier (6), R. Marwell (6), M. Gótz (2), G. N. Gossno (1), L. Rosario (2).

Fans will have a chance to see an exciting game between two of the five "Strong" Y.M.C.A. and National University, to be played to-morrow at 8.30 p.m. South China will meet Trojans in a curtain raiser.

## League Hockey On Skates

A fast game of skate hockey took place at the China Skating Rink yesterday when Panthers met Empress in a league match.

Empress made a determined challenge but were unfortunate in just missing the goal in the first half the first half ending 1-0 against them. Ward having scored for Panthers.

Eric Cheung added another in the second half putting the result beyond doubt.

Panthers were represented by Bold-winn, Ross, Yip, Chow Kit-wai, Ward, Johnny Lee, Eric Cheung.

## Football Meeting

The Hongkong Football Association Council will meet at the Association's Office on Thursday, August 14, at 8.30 p.m. when the fixtures for the season 1941/42 will be approved.

## Australian Cabinet

MELBOURNE, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The emergency Cabinet meeting will be continued to-morrow.

An early conference with Mr. John Curtin, the Labour leader, is indicated.

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"My gentleman always sings at his ablutions."

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"Rose's Lime Juice, you said? I'll see my gentleman orders a crate. I'm much obliged to you, Mr. Hawkins."

"A pleasure, Mr. Higgs."

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"WITHER SIR, YOU KNOW THAT UP TO RECENTLY YOU HAVE NEVER HAD TO COMPLAIN. IT IS JUST THAT 2 FEEL SIMPLY WASHED OUT THESE DAYS AND MY JOB SEEMS TO TAKE SO MUCH SWEET."

"(THINKS) I SIMPLY MUST PULL MYSELF TOGETHER. IT'S TRUE I AM NOT RUNNING THINGS PROPERLY—PERSONAL ISSUES, SAY AWAY FROM PROBLEMS, PERHAPS I SHOULD SEE A DOCTOR."

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# "Ball Fan's" Baseball Notes

## Sappers Suffer Year's Biggest Beating



ACTION AT THE PLATE. Nip Lum, Mohawks, trots across while Bill Chang, Chung Hwa catcher, reaches spectacularly for a high throw.—Ming Yuen.

### Joe Louis Admits That He's "Slipping"

DETROIT.—Joe Louis, by his own admission, is "slipping." "I ain't near the fighter I used to be," the heavyweight boxing champion asserted.

"I guess I've slipped pretty far. Won't know how far, until my next fight with Lou Nova in September," he continued. "If I find then I've slipped too far, I'll give it all up. Ain't no use going on—just to get punched around."

#### Conn Battle

WHAT made Louis think he had gone back so far? "Why," he answered, "what happened in the (Billy) Conn fight. I have him in the third round and again in the fifth, but I can't finish him. I knew then that I've slipped. Chapple (Jack Blackburn, his trainer) kept telling me that no little fellow should beat me, especially no little fellow who was 25 pounds lighter than me."

"But I can't stop him till the thirteenth round. Then, I think I was Conn who beat himself. He fight himself out in the twelfth and then I finish him in the thirteenth."

#### Tough Grind

WHAT did he really think caused him to slip so far? "Damn for sure," he said. "Guess it was a couple of things. I been working too hard. I been in training since November 13, and ain't had but one little vacation of two weeks between fights. Buddy Baer in Washington helped some, too. The building I trained in had a tin roof. It was awful hot there. I noticed that in my sparring I was getting tired after two rounds. Figured it was the heat that done it."

### Nineteenth Defence Of World Title

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (UP).—Mike Jacobs, promoter of the Twentieth Century Club, Madison Square Garden, announced to-day that Joe Louis, world heavyweight boxing champion, will defend his title against Lou Nova, at the Yankee Stadium, New York, on September 19.

Nova beat Max Baer impressively twice and also defeated Pat Combs, another promising heavyweight. Nova has not, however, met Joe Louis before. Tony Galento knocked out Lou Nova in 1939, but it was later revealed that Nova was suffering from a blood infection which later threatened his life.

Joe Louis has a wonderful record to date and has only been knocked out once during his professional career—by Max Schmeling, of Germany. The Negro will make the 19th defence of his title on September 19. He has fought seven times at the Yankee Stadium, where he beat Primo Carnota (Italy), Max Baer (U.S.), Tony Galento (U.S.), Tommy Farr (Great Britain), Jack Sharkey (U.S.) and Arturo Godoy (Argentina).

Anyhow, I know I ain't as good a fighter as I used to be."

### Two Records Broken At U.S. Aquatic Meet

ST LOUIS, Aug. 8 (Domel).—Brenzled swimmers from Hawaii swept through the final day of the national A.A.U. swimming meet with a flourish that put a convincing touch to their string of victories throughout the three-day tournament, breaking two national records in the process.

Records were hung up in the 800-metre race by Kiyoshi Nakama, with a time of 10 mins 62/100 secs and the 300-metre medley by Jose Balmore, with a time of 3 mins 10 1/10 secs.

Adolf Kiefer proved a lone break in the string of Hawaiian swimming victories with a triumph in the 100-metre backstroke. Results: The events and times of winners follow.

100 metres free style.—1, Takeshi Hirose (Hawaii); 2, Otto Jarek (Chicago Towers Club); 3, Bill Frew (Detroit); 4, Dick Lyon (California Athletic Club). Time—1 min 17/100 secs.

200 metres backstroke.—1, Adolf Kiefer (Chicago Towers); 2, Fred Gass (Dallas A.C.); 3, Bruce Donaldson (Washington A.C.); 4, Bob Trumble Nunn (Y.O.C.A.). Time—3 min 5 3/10 secs.

200 metres breaststroke.—1, Jose Balmore (Hawaii); 2, Counsellman (St. Louis Y.O.C.A.); 3, Carlos Rivas (Honolulu); 4, Ralph Wright (unattached). Time—2 min 45 3/10 secs.

400 metres free style.—1, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 2, Kiyoshi Nakama; 3, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 4, Buamel Nakama; 5, Charles Oda. Time—10 mins 6 1/10 secs.

300 metres medley.—1, Jose Balmore (Hawaii); 2, Counsellman (St. Louis Y.O.C.A.); 3, Norman Spear (Ole Southern College); 4, Harry Peck (Santa Barbara). Time—3 min 10 1/10 secs.

200 metres free style.—1, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 2, Takeshi Hirose (Hawaii); 3, Paul Horan (unattached, Honolulu); 4, Michael Priano (Flathead Boys Club, Brooklyn).

300 metres medley relay.—1, Tower Club (Chicago); 2, Hawaii; 3, San Francisco Olympic Club; 4, Pasadena Athletic Club. Time—3 mins 29 1/10 secs.—Domel.

League Tennis

### South China Overwhelm K. Tong 8-1

SOUTH CHINA trounced Kowloon Tong 8-1 in the "A" Division of the local tennis league yesterday at King's Park. E. Lee and C. C. Ma were the only pair to take a set for the losers, while T. E. Ling and S. K. Kwok conceded three sets on walks-over.

Scores were: S. C. Dow and P. Szeto beat F. H. Kwok and P. Fletcher 7-5; Lee to E. Lee and C. C. Ma 6-7; walk over from T. E. Ling and S. K. Kwok.

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### Mindanao Take Custody Of Bagram Shield

#### Maroons Trounce Mohawks

"High-scoring wins"—a term literally sprayed throughout baseballdom as a pain-producing heart-ache to scorekeepers and umpires, yet a heart-throb with a Turkish Delight thrown in, to the winners—gave the local two-game baseball card, the first programme in many a week, that added "merrily we go around" flavour. The scattered few in the stands looked with dismal awe as hickory batons and horse-hides took a terrific pounding.

Mindanao's terrific M, sailing down the clear home stretch toward the Bagram Shield, smothered a really weak Royal Engineer nine with a heavy avalanche of runs and bashes 27-4. It was the highest platter-crossing tilt marked up by the Mindanao scorekeeper this season in their clear dash toward the pennant.

THE Chung Hwa Maroons barged into the first division for keeps, lambasting Charlie Waggoner's Redskin Tribe 19-8 behind the five hit-twirling of Al "Spectacles" Lau.

CHAMPIONS for two years in a row and pride of American ball fans in the Colony, the pennant holders closed out their series with Welford's Royal Engineers in dazzling style, pounding out a sixteen hit barrage to sweep twenty-seven tallies across the plate.

The league leaders played a "hurry up" scoring game, garnering their grand total in five frames. Sending the slugging Tony Muscavage to the hillok in his first start against the Sappers this year, the terrific M opened up the tremendous spree in the last of the initial frame after the Engineers had tallied a lone run on a walk and a wild throw by third sacker Bowersox.

Woe Willie Wilson lined Mickey Sarsfield's second toss into left field for a clean single. Ruel took first on a wild throw, sending the feet-footed Wilson home with the champions' first tally. Ski Powlawski walked and two more runs crossed the plate on two errors. Tony Muscavage cashed in with the fourth run in this opening frame on another miscue.

The loose fielding Sappers threatened with three runs in the second canto when hurler Tony Muscavage weakened momentarily. George Harper ran all the way to first base on a muffed third strike. After Davis and Pete Fox both whiffed in the sweltering breeze, Foley walked. Mac Shaw's driving single through third sent the rookie Harper and Foley riding across the pan. Elmdie Taylor lifted a single over third driving in lanky Mac Shaw. Welford Welford fled to left field, ending the Sappers' high-scoring inning.

Breaking loose with a vengeance in their half of the 2nd, the American gunboat nine rolled through with a six run outburst, on a walk, two wild pitches and successful singles by Crooner Ruel, Ski Powlawski, Tony Muscavage and R. J. Wilson.

This inning featured Reg "what a man" Daniels, in his first starry game with the champions. The popular Daniels, Mindanao's No. 1 ball fan, crashed across the plate with his first run of the season, on Crooner Ruel's smash hit.

The Yankee tars blasted away with five more runs in the 3rd stanza, stormed through the Sapper defence with eight "count 'em" runs in the 4th frame on five staggering blows, and finished off their scoring rampage in the 5th with four final runs, as the weary ball-chugging Engineers took their worst trimming of the season.

Showing a complete "volte-face" after their sensational win over the champions, Charlie

#### Weekend Stars

Willie Wilson and Ski Powlawski, Mindanao—Former smashed out the longest hit of the fray, a sizzling triple in the 4th canto and also crossed the pan with five tallies in the champions' big win; latter played a versatile game behind the plate and hurled shut-out ball in the relief role.

Chung Hwa Maroons—Former led the Maroon slugging attack, slamming out three bingles and coming in with four runs; latter marked up three Chinese runs and hurled steady relief ball in the humid heat.

With Bill Silva, Eddie Marques and Smudge Smith given contracts in a fast minute grandstand front office deal, the Mohawks started the game with these additional rookies.

Wally Ching's miff in the opening stanza brought Nip Lum tearing over the pan with the first Mohawk run, but the Maroons came back in their half with a single tally when Choy Ping-tun walked, stole second and crossed the platter on Nip Lum's gifted miscue.

The Chinese took the coveted lead in the 2nd frame with a lone run and crashed through with six markers in a high-riding 3rd stanza on four walks, three errors and a bingle. Continuing their desperate move for more runs, the Chung Hwa men added three tallies in the 4th canto and climaxed their fifth win of the year with eight runs in the next stanza.

Highlight of the game was the dazzling double play in the 1st inning when Nip Lum nabbed Bill Chang's sizzling liner to double Morocco Chan off second with a fast throw to Mac Wong.

Starting twirler Smudge Smith was sent to the showers in the 3rd frame. Relief hurler Mac Wong found trouble in locating the plate and Doc Molthen was sent in to finish the game.

Batteries: Mickey Sarsfield, Mac Shaw and Foley; Tony Muscavage, Ski Powlawski, Tony Muscavage.

League Standing

	W.	L.	Pts.
Mindanao	7	1	375
H.B. Brewers	4	1	300
Chung Hwa Maroons	5	3	325
Asheville Thais	1	1	500
H.K. Baseball Club	3	5	373
Royal Engineers	2	6	250
South China	1	6	140

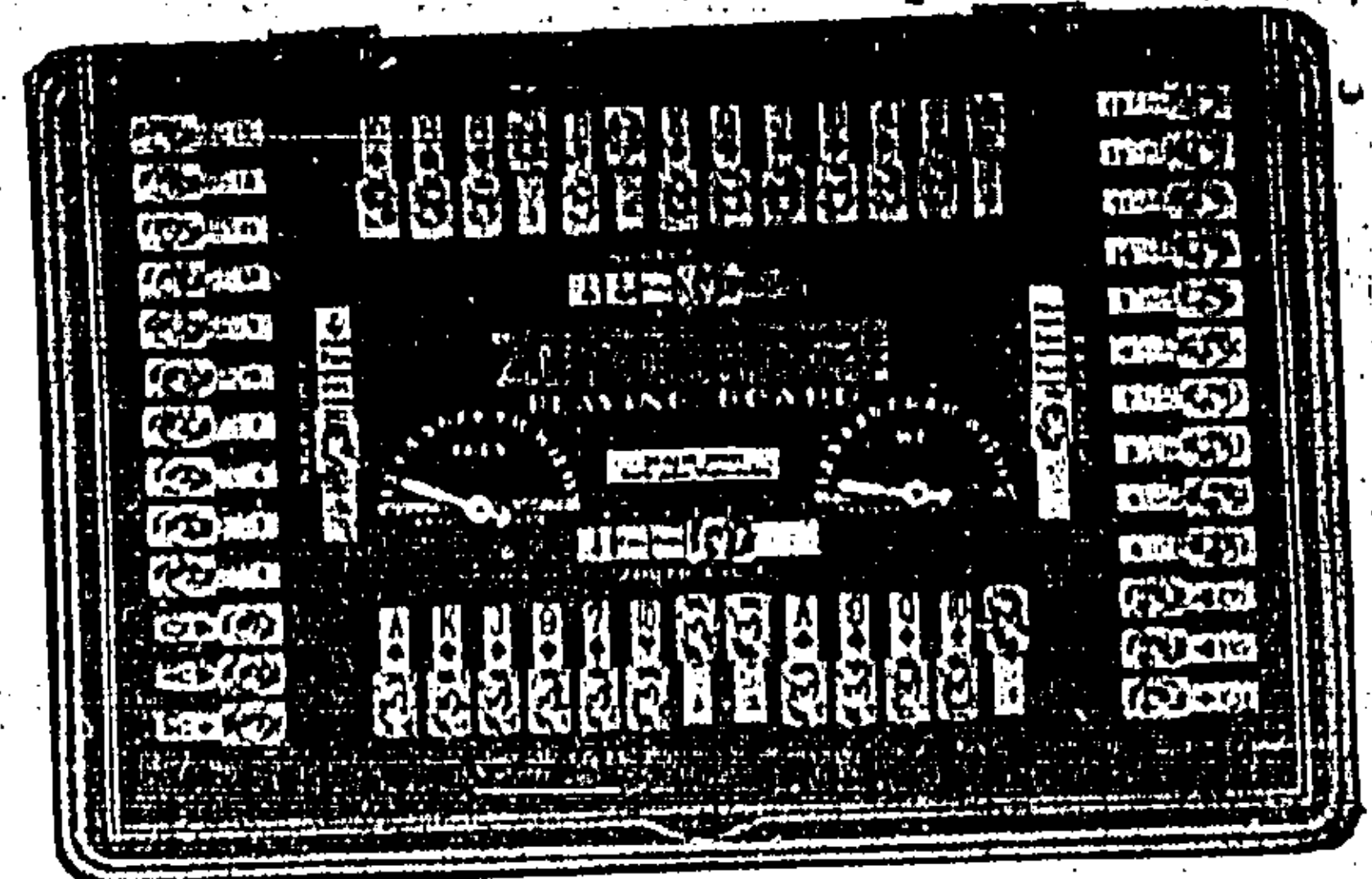
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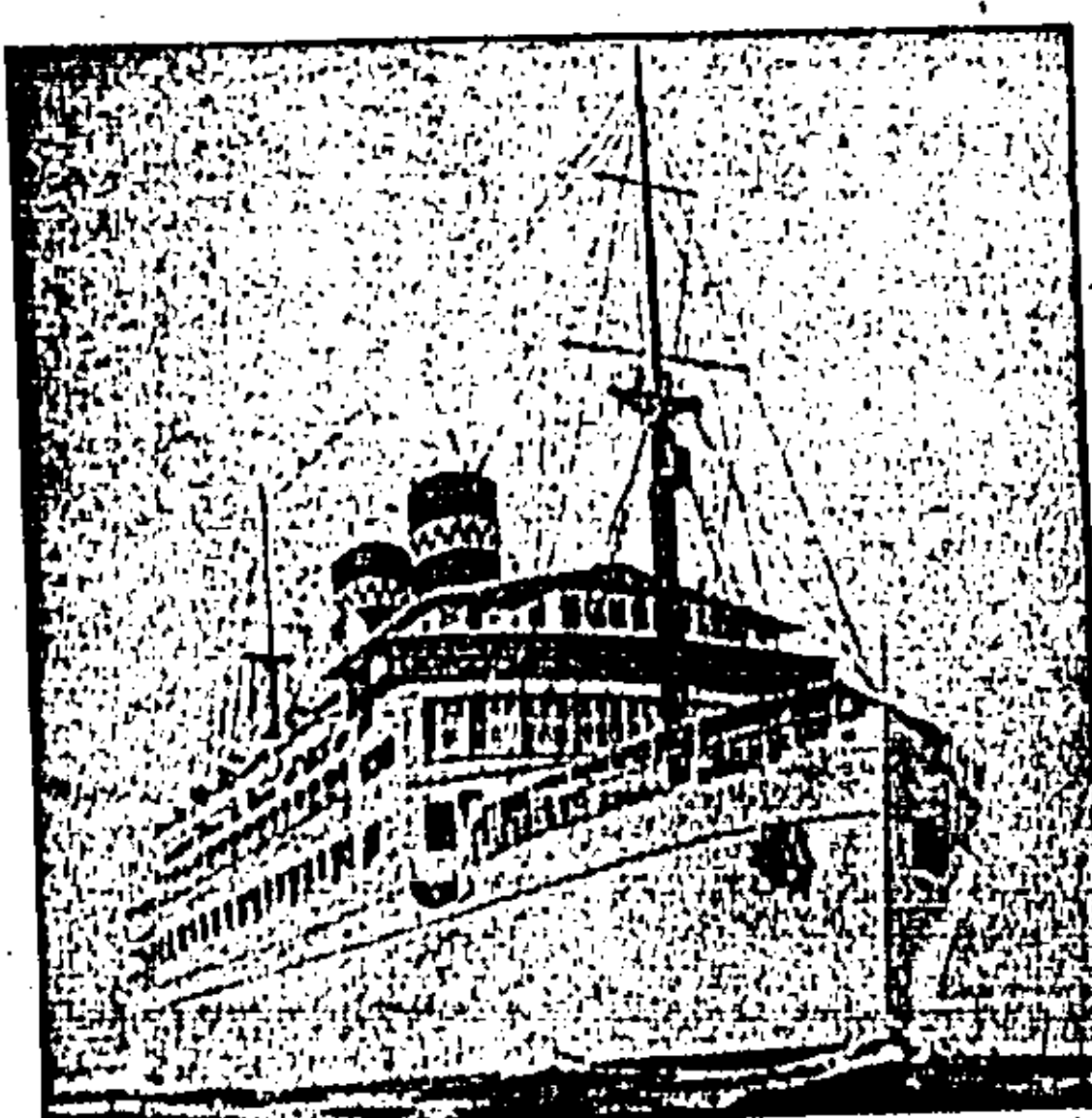
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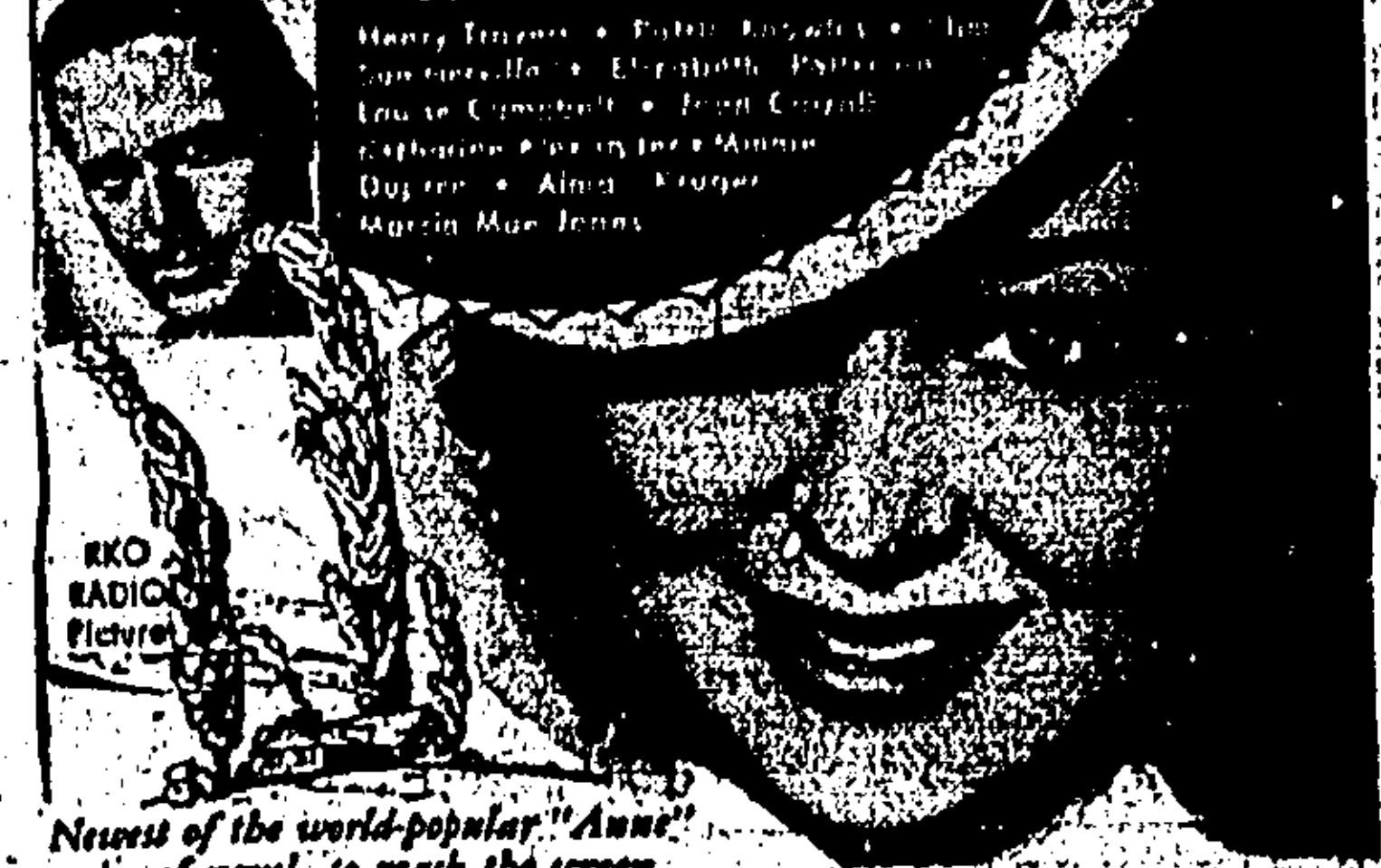
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## Ten Long Solar Periods Said Affecting Weather Forecasts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (UP).—There are ten long periods in the radiation of the sun. Each of these has directly observable effects on the temperature and rainfall of the earth, but this varies with place and season and there is some as yet unknown factor which complicates long range weather forecasting.

These conclusions from the work of the Astrophysical observatory of the Smithsonian Institution were announced by Secretary Charles G. Abbot. They were thought to bring a step nearer the day when useful weather forecasts may be made for several years ahead based upon solar observations.

"The sun's radiation also varies irregularly from day to day. These variations attend the sun's 27-day rotation, for the sun's surface has hot spots as well as cold spots upon it," a Smithsonian bulletin said.

"Columns of finely-divided matter shot from sun-spot regions appear to bombard the earth and veil the sun slightly when such sun-spots are exactly central. Thus both increases and decreases of the sun's radiation affect us as the sun rotates.

"An increase in the output of the sun, especially if of short duration, does not necessarily mean an increase in the temperature of the earth as a whole. Local conditions, such as cloudiness and location with respect to prevailing winds, have profound effects."

### "Changes Of Phase"

In the past Dr. Abbot has been puzzled by apparent "changes of phase" in the weather effects of the long periods. In solar variation, almost precisely opposite weather results would sometimes ensue from the same solar phenomenon. Recent work has convinced him, however, that this is explainable. It depends on the season of the year. For example, he says, take an 8-and-one-eighth month period—one which he actually has found in the solar variations. Every time it recurs in the same season it will have the same effects at a given station, so far as it itself is concerned. Other simultaneously operating solar variations may, of course, partially modify the effects.

The solar periods listed by Dr. Abbot range from eight and one-eighth to 273 months. The latter, about 23 years, appears to be the major period in which all the others repeat themselves and the most successful long range forecasts to date have been based upon it. They have been reasonably accurate for two or three years in advance.

### Long-Term Forecasts

Dr. Abbot gives examples of fairly successful weather forecasts five years in advance. These are made by finding the average effect of each of the ten long solar periods on weather for 50 years back. These separate effects are then combined for the five-years to come.

Considerable success, he believes, might be achieved in detailed temperature and rainfall predictions for two weeks in advance, based on the changes in radiation reaching the earth because of the 27 day rotation of the sun on its axis. But this would require a sufficient number of co-operating solar observing stations to secure highly accurate solar radiation measures every day in the year. With the three stations now available in New Mexico, California, and Chile, cloudiness prevents the observation of the sun on many days of the year.

These day-by-day solar changes, Dr. Abbot demonstrates, are major factors in controlling weather for short periods. A highly active region on the sun may actually reduce the solar radiation received on the earth, Dr. Abbot points out, because "I conceive there is an emanation from the sun, especially active in sunspot regions. This emanation produces either scattering, or absorption, or both for solar rays. Its columns are shot outwards from the sun for hundreds of millions of miles, and take roughly conical shapes, with vertices at the sun's surfaces. As the sun rotates, these columns sweep through space and may even reach the earth. Then the solar constant is diminished by several percent."

## Own Chiefs Sought By R.A.A.F.

Although there are probably thousands of R.A.A.F. men in Britain, the highest rank, apart from liaison officers, is only a Squadron-Leader—equivalent to an army major.

All ranks of the R.A.A.F. are dissatisfied with the policy of not sending senior officers abroad, and attribute it to undue domination by the R.A.F. in the Empire Air Scheme.

Senior officers are resentful because they believe they are being denied the experience they could gain abroad. The lower ranks believe that, in contributing more than 50,000 men for air crews, Australia should have more independent leadership.

They point to the early difficulties in gaining R.A.F. recognition of the Australians' right to wear their own distinctive uniforms.

The R.A.F. initially opposed the formation of all-Australian squadrons.

### Australian Squadrons

A squadron operating in Britain at present becomes an R.A.A.F. squadron when 75 per cent. of the personnel is Australian.

One R.A.A.F. Sunderland reconnaissance squadron has been operating in Britain since shortly after the outbreak of war. One Spitfire Squadron was formed recently, two more are being formed, and many R.A.A.F. bomber squadrons will be formed in the next few weeks.

It will be anomalous if the R.A.A.F. continues to have squadrons assuming a major role in the European war with no officer higher than a Squadron-Leader to take part in planning and directing offensive.

## Sydney Hospitals Filled With Wartime Babies

New mothers in some of Sydney's big maternity hospitals are sleeping on crowded verandahs, with only canvas blinds protecting them from wintry winds. Coping with the crop of war-time babies is becoming a serious problem, says the "Sydney Sunday Sun."

At St Margaret's Hospital for Women, in Sydney, beds have been crowded into the wards until there are barely 18 inches between them and there is scarcely a foot of verandah space unoccupied.

In the year before the war, 686 babies were born in this hospital. Last year, the total was 1,148, and this year it promises to reach the 1,500 mark.

Yet this great increase has all been handled in exactly the same space—and, in spite of such overcrowding, there have been no electrical deaths in the past 12 months.

"Ever since the war began there has been an increase in the figures here," the matron of Crown-street Women's Hospital reported.

"Our average has risen from 250 to 300 births a month, and our wards are crowded to capacity, while stretchers are in almost constant use."

"The number of premature births, seemingly due to war-time worries, particularly on the part of women with menfolk overseas, has increased also," she added, "and we often have as many as 18 tiny mites, weighing from 2lb. 6oz. to 4 lb., in the premature ward."

### Birthrate Up

At the Royal Hospital for Women at Paddington, beds are overflowing on to verandahs, and the birthrate is going up steadily.

"For the past three months it has been well above the average," confirmed the medical superintendent. "And 171 births in 17 days recently constitutes just about a record."

"One day during the past week found us wealthier by 15 babies. The number of premature births, too, has been higher."

"We are accommodating an average of 45 patients in a maternity block built to accommodate 29," was the comment of the secretary of the Royal North Shore Hospital, Mr. Ward.

## Beginning Of Reuter's

### Founder's Life Filmed

Reuter's is to-day a byword wherever there are newspapers, but few would conceive of the difficulties besetting the efforts of the founder of this great international news-gathering organization in making the nineteenth century world give acceptance to his ideas.

In the film, "This Man Reuter," previewed at the Queen's Theatre yesterday, the early struggles of Julius Reuter are well depicted. How he rose from public ridicule to establish a successful pigeon post; how his work was destroyed in a day by the growth of the telegraph; how this setback was overcome by the brainwave that came to him of relaying news over the wires for the use of subscribing newspapers; and how news of Abraham Lincoln's assassination obtained hours ahead of competitors caused a stock market panic, was generally discredited and led to questions in Parliament and how subsequent events proved Reuter's integrity—all this is woven into an absorbing story that unfolds like a romance.

Edward G. Robinson, whom Warner Brothers are betting on to become Paul Muni's successor as a character actor—now, that Muni has joined another studio—proves equal to the task. In some ways, he even excels his fine performance as Dr. Erlich in "The Magic Bullet."

The film is well directed and edited, photography and other technical requirements being excellent. It will be shown at the Queen's and Alhambra this week.—G.

## A.R.P.: One Minister Is Urged

Concentration of all civil defence functions in a single Ministry; and Cutting-down of full-time paid workers.

These are two recommendations by M.P.s forming the Select Committee on National Expenditure.

Its 14th report speaks of "serious consequences of the division of responsibility" between the Ministry of Home Security and the Ministry of Health.

It says the major defect has been the failure to see the problems of civil defence as a whole.

### Other Suggestions

As an example, first aid parties are administered by the Ministry of Home Security and A.R.P. ambulances and first aid posts by the Ministry of Health.

However much practical co-operation there may have been between the Departments, it can only have been at the cost of an immense amount of time and energy.

Other suggestions are: Recruitment of whole-time civil defence personnel should only be resorted to when it has been found impossible to obtain part-time workers either by voluntary recruitment or by compulsory enrolment under the powers conferred by the Defence Regulation 20A.

The Air Raid Warden service should substantially revert to its original part-time basis, and paid elements should as far as possible be eliminated.

First-aid parties should be generally reduced in strength.

### Paid Personnel

It is pointed out that of about £30,000,000 spent by the Exchequer on civil defence in the year ended March 31, £39,750,000 represented the pay of 250,000 whole-time paid workers.

"The number of paid personnel," says the report, "is therefore of great importance from the financial point of view, and the sub-committee of the Select Committee feel it right to add that economy of personnel is not merely desirable on financial grounds, but at the present has become urgent from the point of view of manpower."

## Germans Starve The Poles

### 450 Die Every Day

LONDON, June 7.—The German Administration in Poland, according to reliable reports, are deliberately starving out the Polish population, and even advertise it.

A recent issue of the "Ostdeutscher Beobachter" said that in 1940 products exported from Central Poland to the Reich included 9,500 tons of potatoes, 2,000 bulls, 64,000 pigs, 10,500 sheep reared for wool, 100,000 tons of butter, 100 tons of beef, 300,000 head of poultry and 100,000,000 eggs.

The undernourishment of the population of Warsaw is so great that last month an average of 450 people died every day, of which 150 were in the ghetto.

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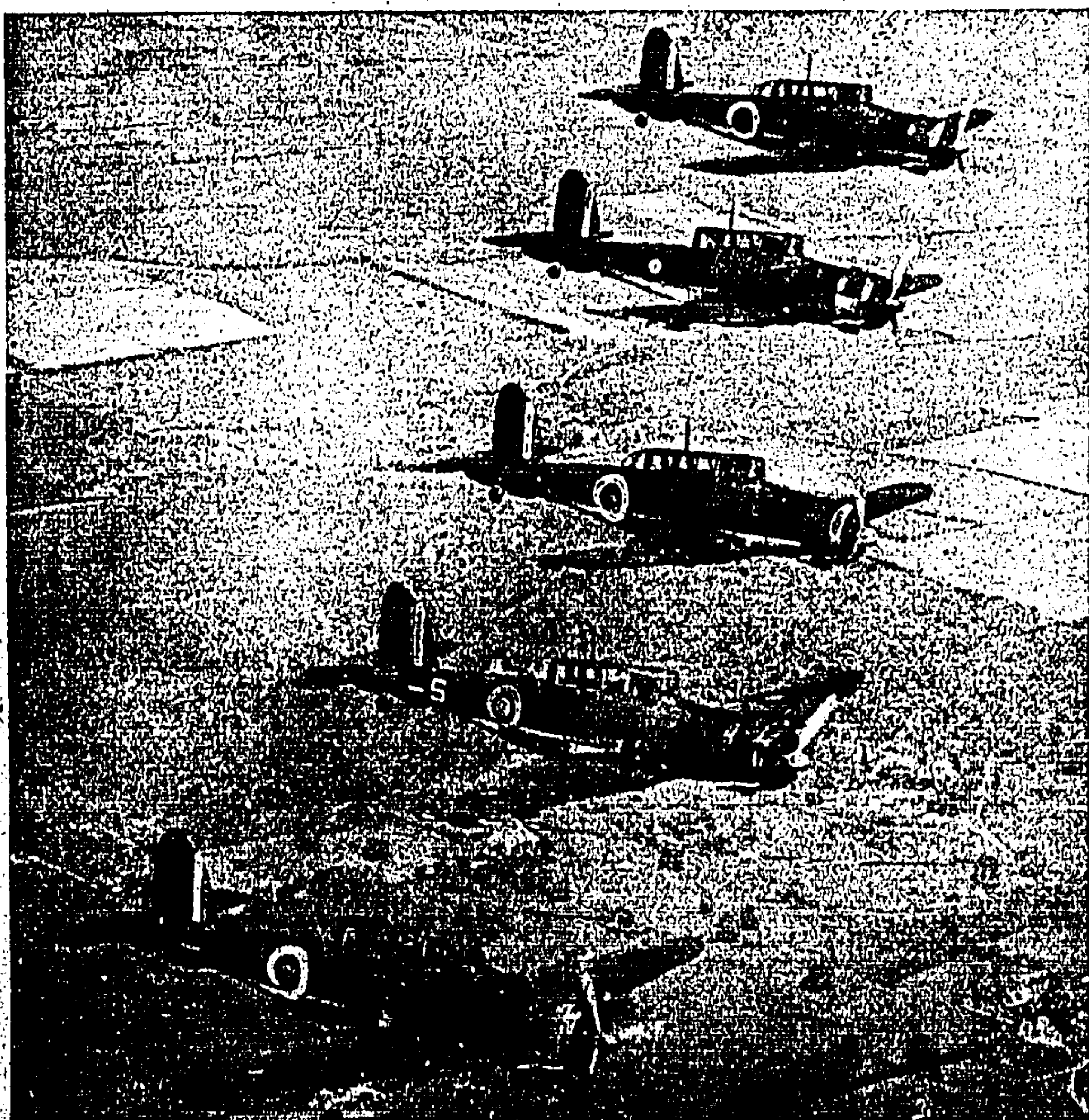
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## Far East Events Expected Very Soon

TOKYO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The British Ambassador Sir Robert Craigie called at the Foreign Office this afternoon. With both Sir Robert Craigie and the American Ambassador Mr. Joseph Grew in Tokyo, important developments are expected very shortly.

### Envoy To Indo-China

TOKYO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Japan is to send a special envoy with the full rank of ambassador to Indo-China "in order to strengthen the friendly ties between the two countries."

The Vichy Government have accepted the Japanese proposal which is, in the words of Hiroshi's official statement, "in keeping with the spirit of joint defence of Indo-China as concluded between Japan and France."

### Saigon A.R.P.

SAIGON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Saigon municipal authorities are taking steps to repair and extend the present air raid shelter facilities.

SAIGON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Thai delegation to the Boundary Commission arrived to-day overland from Bangkok.

It is understood that meetings, which will begin very soon, are likely to include economic discussions.

### Vichy Pandering

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
VICHY, Aug. 11 (Domei).—It is reported that the Vichy Government has decided to send an Envoy Extraordinary to Indo-China in order to take charge of the problems created by the stationing of Japanese troops in Indo-China.

## Washington Watching Thailand

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (UP).—There is evidence here of a firm and clear position toward any crisis which further Japanese movement against Thailand would precipitate.

The Australian Premier's plan for a Cabinet session and the comment made by Sir Frederick Stewart, the Australian Minister of External Affairs, are considered indicative of the gravity with which Australia regards the Japanese intention to extend influence in Thailand.

Observers here noted that Sir Frederick's thought was substantially similar to the views indicated by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, namely, that the Japanese policy has the effect of encircling herself, and that any aggressive pressure would come from Japan.

It is understood that the United States exchange of information with the British Empire countries has been especially thorough and continuous. However, the United States position in the Pacific has still to be officially described.

## British Govt. And Full Sanctions Against Japan

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Central News).—Dr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, to-day received a deputation from the China Campaign Committee which urged the imposition of a watertight economic embargo on Japan in view of dangerous loopholes in the measures recently announced, complete abandonment of appeasement, adoption of a stronger policy and extension of aid to China.

Dr. Dalton referred to Mr. Anthony Eden's recent statements in Parliament regarding the Far East and also measures for freezing Japanese assets.

He stated that during the last few years export of oil from territories under British or from British-controlled companies represented only about three per cent. of the total amount of oil imported by Japan and even these had been progressively reduced and no further shipments were contemplated. No oil was exported to Japan from British-owned

# GERMAN DESIGNS ON CRIMEA: TURKEY FEELS NEW MENACE GROWING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, AUG. 11 (UP).—BEST INFORMED MILITARY CIRCLES BELIEVE THAT FROM 250 TO 300 GERMAN BARGES EACH CAPABLE OF CARRYING ABOUT 400 MEN, AS WELL AS A DOZEN U-BOATS WHICH FOR SEVERAL MONTHS HAVE BEEN LYING AT CONSTANZA WILL SOON BE IN ACTION IF THE GERMAN TROOPS WHO HAVE PENETRATED SOUTHWEST OF KIEV CAN DRIVE SOUTHWARDS TO THE BLACK SEA AND OCCUPY ODESSA, NIKOLAIV AND KHERSON.

Foreign military observers understand that the Russians are already withdrawing troops from Odessa to avoid encirclement. If the German manoeuvres succeeded, it is believed likely that the Germans will try to move the barges to Odessa where they might successfully land in Crimea at Innagull and Karkint, and take the great naval base at Sebastopol from the land side. Such a naval landing would have the advantage of avoiding the necessity of fighting across the narrow neck of land leading to Crimea.

## Anglo-Soviet Air Attacks on Reich

Joint Action Contemplated

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Aug. 11 (UP).—Joint British and Soviet air attacks on Berlin and other important centres in Germany will probably be launched soon.

## RUSSIAN RAIDS ON GERMANY

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Many incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military targets when Berlin was bombed by Soviet planes last night, according to Moscow Radio.

Large fires were observed from Soviet bombers, all but one of which returned safely.

### Heard In Suburbs

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Despite the official German statement that raiding Russian bombers were turned back by anti-aircraft fire on Sunday night, they apparently reached some suburbs of Berlin. According to the Berlin correspondent of the "Aften Bladet," the noise of the raiders was not heard in the centre of the capital but people in the suburbs declared that the sound of the Russian machines was clearly different from that of British planes.

### Explanation

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The following "explanation" was given by the German military spokesman to-night over the German wireless: "The Soviet High Command knew that it had no superiority in the air and that was why they were now carrying out propaganda flights in which they dropped bombs on Reich territory. Although only a small number of planes were sent, Soviet propaganda tried to magnify the results of these attacks which had no military value."

It is understood that regular attacks by either the R.A.F. or the Red air forces on Berlin are likely. Some sources say that there will be British and Red bomber attacks in shifts on the same night.

It is pointed out that the present strain on both the British and Soviet air forces makes it impossible to carry out nightly non-stop bomber blows on Berlin, but the strengthening nights will enable increasingly heavy and more constant attacks on the Ruhr and the Berlin population, whose morale is being regarded more and more seriously as a vital military objective.

## Japanese Leaving Singapore

SINGAPORE, Aug. 11 (Central News).—The first group of Japanese to evacuate Malaya following the worsening of the Far Eastern situation left Singapore yesterday and many others are expected to follow shortly.

The biggest difficulty in the Japanese evacuation is lack of transportation facilities owing to the closure of Japanese shipping lines and it is reported that a request has been made to the Japanese Government for a special ship to evacuate Japanese from Singapore.

The Japanese here are determined to send their families back to Japan as soon as transportation is available. Japanese firms in Malaya are obliged to curtail their staffs following the freezing order.

## Polish Army To Fight With Soviets

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—As a preliminary to the formation in Russia of a Polish Army equipped with the latest American material, the Soviet Government have accepted a Military Mission headed by General Szyzko Bohusz, who is empowered to conclude a Polish-Soviet military agreement.

General Sikorski, the Polish Premier, disclosed this at a Polish military rally in Scotland when he declared: "The Polish-Soviet agreement has brushed aside all sentimental considerations. The Polish nation took a decidedly anti-German stand in September, 1939 in a life and death fight and it will follow this road to the end. This attitude is dictated not only by our own interests but also by the united British camp of liberty and freedom."

Military quarters believe that the ultimate invasion of Crimea would involve a movement across the Black Sea from Constanza or Vargaz where big Rumanian ships are taking refuge but this is considered almost impossible because the Russian fleet effectively patrols the narrow point of the Black Sea between Sebastopol and the Turkish coast.

### TURKEY UNEASY

ISTANBUL, Aug. 11 (UP).—There is growing uneasiness here as the reported unusual troop movements in Bulgaria and southeastern Europe continue to be substantiated. German troops, reported to be from Libya and still wearing their desert kits have been seen in large groups in Bulgaria.

## FLEET AIR ARM IN ACTION

In Mediterranean

CAIRO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—An attack by the Fleet Air Arm against a large merchant ship at Syracuse in Sicily and activity by the R.A.F. in North Africa are reported in a Royal Air Force Middle East communique issued to-day.

"On Saturday night, Blenheim of the R.A.F. attacked repair shops at Bardia, starting a number of large bright fires. Enemy landing grounds at Gazala were also bombed and machine-gunned."

"Yesterday Maryland bombers of the South African Air Force carried out attacks on enemy positions, motor vehicles and personnel in the neighbourhood of Bardia."

### Ground Strafing

"Tripolitania. — On Saturday, R.A.F. bombers demolished barracks and a block house south of Misurata and also attacked enemy motor transport vehicles and petrol trailers in the same neighbourhood. All trailers were holed by machine-gun bullets and several lorries were overturned and destroyed. The formation then attacked two large ammunition and supply dumps at Buerat. Ammunition was exploded and personnel standing by were killed or wounded."

"Sicily. — Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm made a torpedo attack on a large merchant vessel at Syracuse on Saturday. A quantity of bombs was also dropped at Augusta, one making a direct hit on a gasometer. "From these operations all our aircraft returned safely."

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Further Late News



BIG DECISIONS MAY BE MADE

## Vichy Ministers Continue Talks

VICHY, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Discussions between Vichy Ministers which have followed closely upon each other since Saturday were continued this morning, states the Vichy news agency.

They included an interview to-day between General Huntziger, Minister of War, and General Weygand, Marshal Petain's Delegate-General in North Africa. Other ministerial talks are going on at the same time.

The Vichy agency says: "These discussions have given the impression of wide-scale consultation, of which the Cabinet Council expected this afternoon would appear to be the crowning point. They have been conducted in an atmosphere of complete calm, presaging no crisis. No sign of nervousness has been perceptible."

In support of this, the agency mentions the attendance of Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan and other ministers at theatrical and operatic performances.

No Personalities  
Well-informed circles are reported as stating the view that any announcement of an important decision concerning foreign policy in the immediate future is out of the question, says the agency.

The agency also says: "Contrary to certain allusions in the Paris press, there would appear to have been no personal questions involved in the talks being directed to an effective understanding between all members of the Government who gave their views on many problems approached."

Issue Being Forced  
LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The political tension in Vichy remains TURN to Back Page, Column 6

## THREAT TO DAKAR

Nazi Infiltration  
To Be Expected

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The looming threat to Dakar occupies a prominent place in London Press comment to-day. "The Times" leader says that "There seems no limit to the prevarication and distortion of facts to which Vichy will not descend in pursuit of the policy of collaboration with Hitlerite Germany."

"A thick veil is held over what is going on in French north and Northwest Africa, but Great Britain and the United States must be prepared at any time to find themselves confronted with German infiltration on the Syrian model, involving the use of Dakar and other bases against British and American shipping in the south Atlantic."

"The hasty exit of the Germans and Italians as soon as the Allied forces had crossed the Syrian border was made the basis of disingenuous protests by Vichy, who calmly ignoring all that had gone before argued that since the Germans and Italians had already gone there was no longer any reason for the British to do anything about it."

American Interests  
"The same attitude stamps their reply to the American demand for TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## French In Indo-China To Hold Chinese Back

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The latest report is that the French have agreed to send French troops in Indo-China to the borders of Yunnan and Kwangsi provinces to protect the Japanese flank in Northern Indo-China against the Chinese.

It is reported here that this is being done by Vichy at German insistence.

Additional indications of an approaching diplomatic break are strong feelings among some high and influential officials here that the only realistic attitude in a Nazi-threatened world is "Those who are not for us are against us" and that French leanings towards the democratic cause.

Moreover, the supine way in which the French handed Indo-China to the Japanese as a gift has evoked considerable disgust here, especially after the French insistence that honour in Syria could only be saved by fighting the British.

American relations with Vichy are rapidly approaching a climax and a break in the very near future would be hardly surprising, according to well-informed circles here.

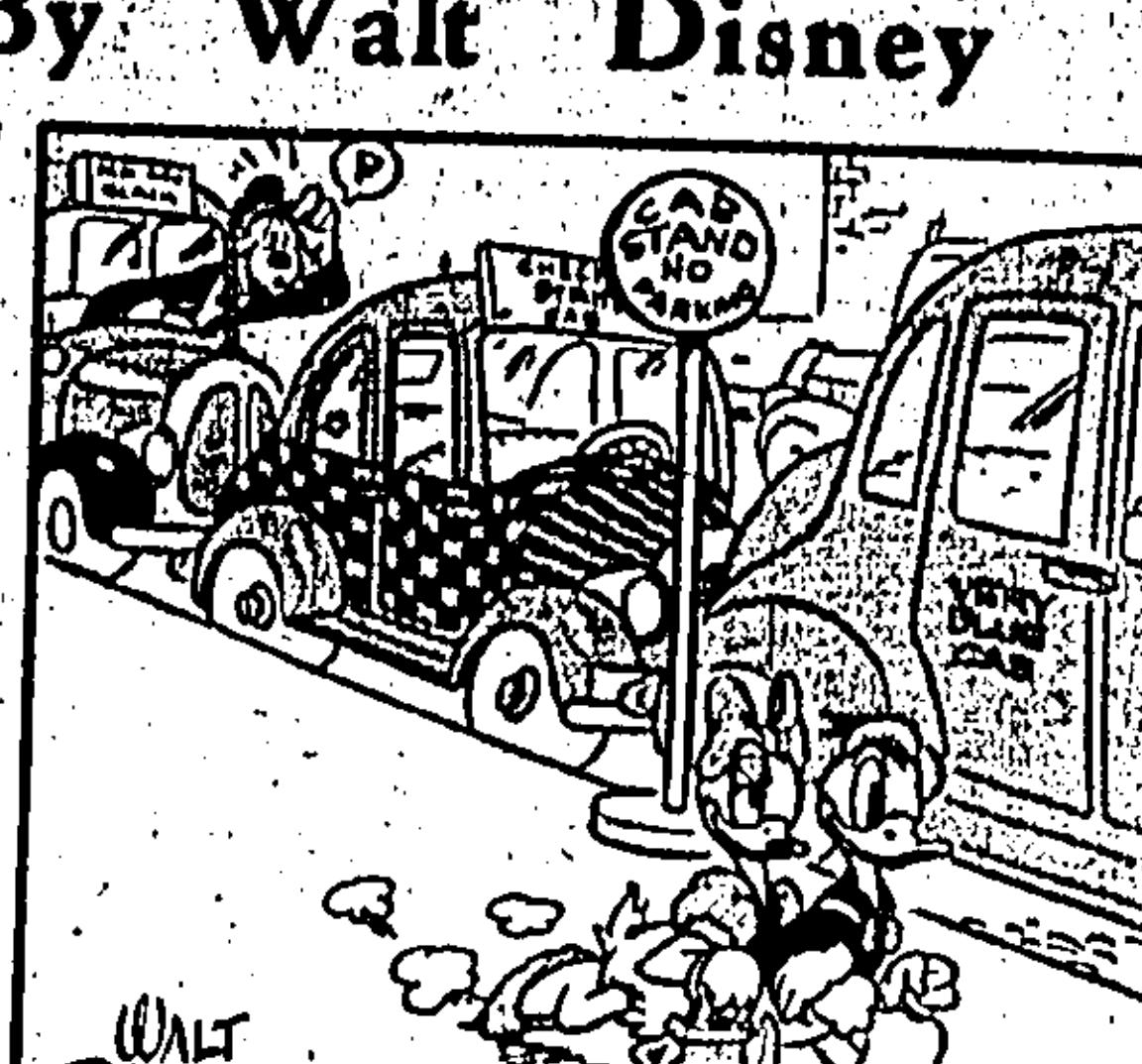
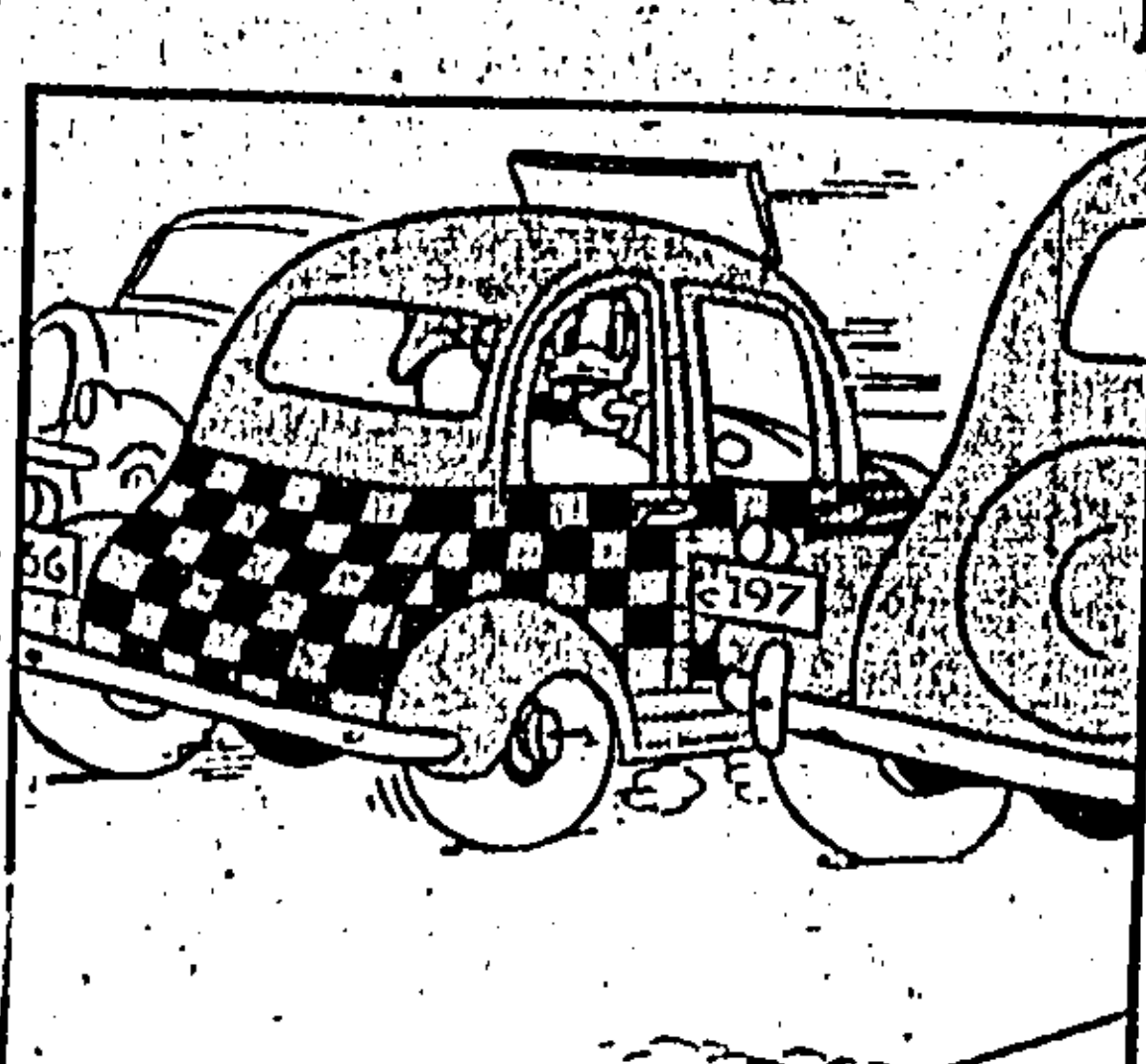
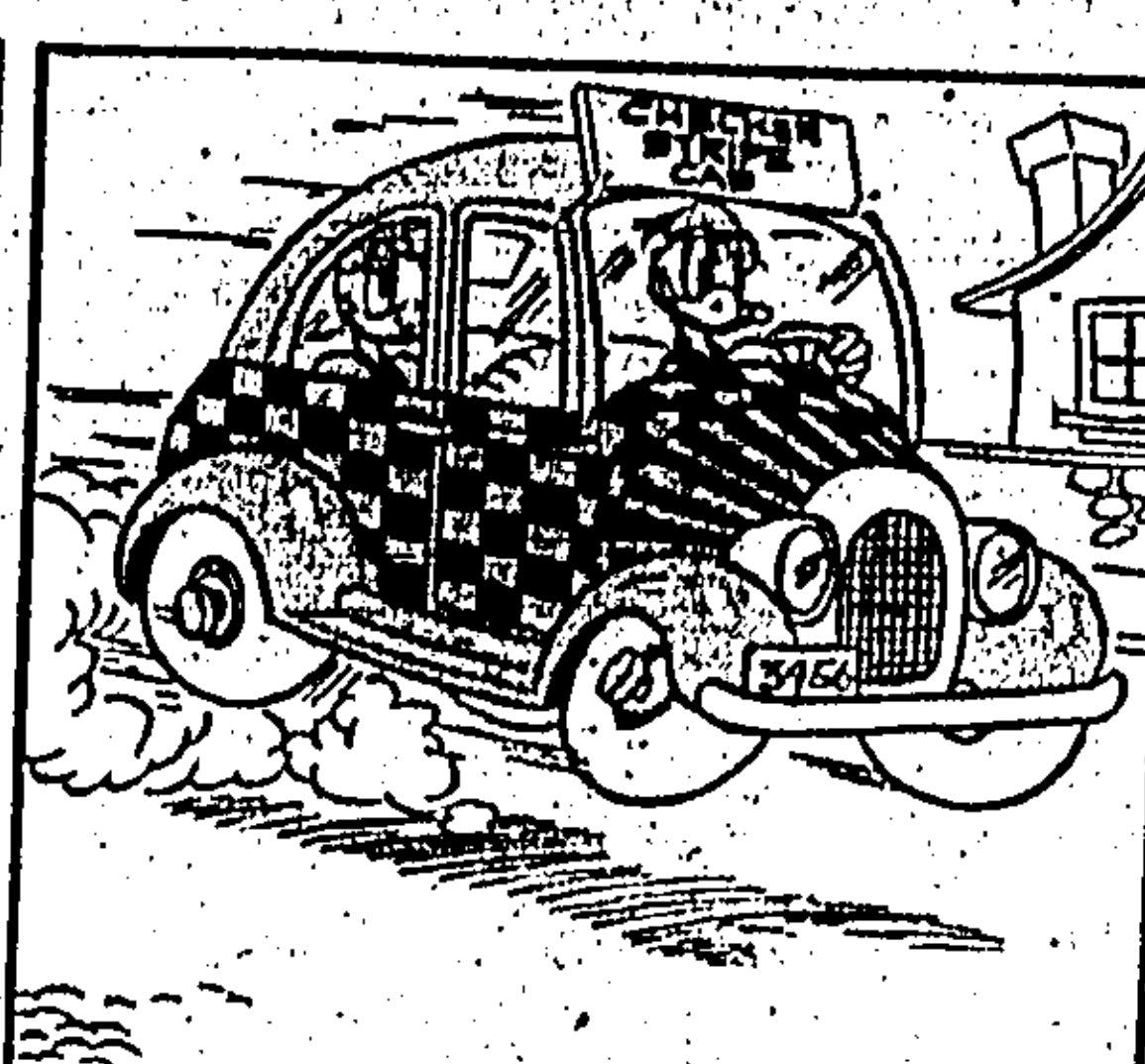
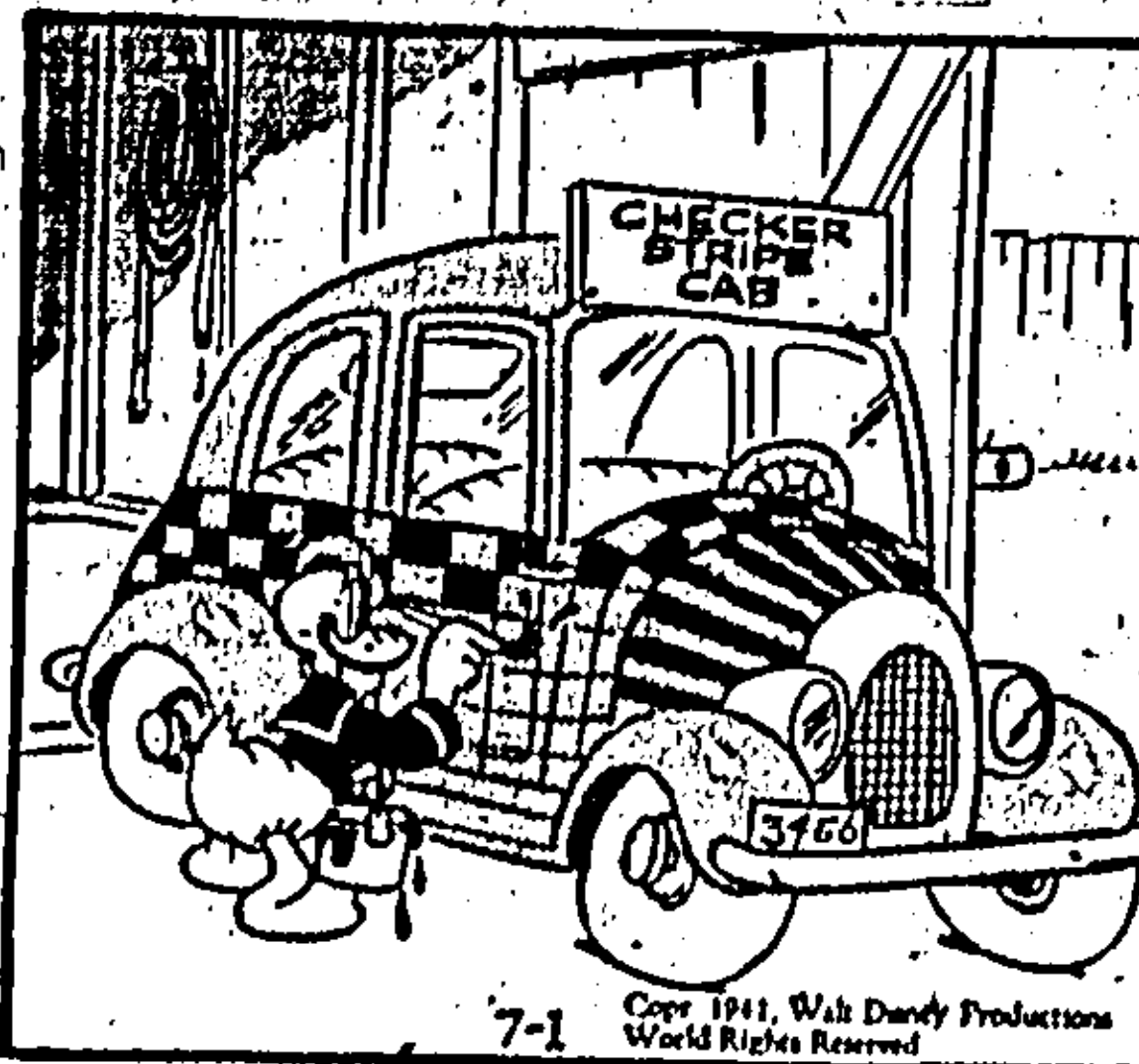
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## CONTRACT BRIDGE

How to Play AND How to Win  
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### Placing The Lead

IN countless hands, the entire point of play is to keep one defender off the lead. Needless to say, this is not always possible, but the least a declarer should do is to make a valiant effort. Note to-day's deal.

Rubber bridge.  
Both sides vulnerable.  
South dealer.

♠ 8 5 3  
♥ Q J 12  
♦ 4 3  
♣ A 9 4 3

♠ J 9 4  
♥ 8 8 6  
♦ 10 9 5  
♣ 10 8 5 2

♠ K 7 2  
♥ A K J 10  
♦ A J 7 2  
♣ K 7

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass  
2NT Pass 3♥ Pass  
4♥ Dbl. Pass Pass  
Pass

West's double was somewhat aggressive in that he had nothing in the trump suit, but, with the A-Q of spades and the K-Q of diamonds over South, who had bid notrump at one point, West felt that declarer would have his work cut out for him. He was right, but this particular declarer rose to the occasion.

West, in selecting his opening lead, could find nothing safer than a trump. A spade lead was not to be considered; a diamond lead risked the sacrifice of an honour; and finally, a club lead was dangerous because it might run up against the A-10 in dummy and the king in declarer's hand, or some such combination that would cost West his club stopper.

The opening trump lead was ducked in dummy, since declarer might urgently need dummy's queen for the later ruff of a diamond. Declarer greatly would have preferred leading a diamond from dummy so as to be able to pass the trick to West, but he could not afford to play the heart queen or to take out the club ace for that

purpose. Hence he laid down the diamond ace from his own hand and followed it up with the diamond jack. It was his selection of the jack rather than a low diamond that led to the fulfilment of the contract. Most players in situations of this type automatically play a low card because they are merely clearing the suit preparatory to ruffing; they fail to consider that it may be possible to force the lead upon one defender rather than the other. Thus in this case if South had led a low diamond after the ace, East would have won and of course returned a high spade, whereupon declarer promptly would have lost three spade tricks.

With West on lead with the diamond queen, no attack could be made upon declarer's spade king. For want of a better play, West returned his remaining trump. Declarer won in his own hand, ruffed a diamond with a low trump, returned to the club king, and ruffed his last diamond with the heart queen. Now the club ace was cashed and a low club was led, back on lead, had to concede South's spade king and thus the contract was fulfilled.

If West had unblocked his high clubs and thus avoided the throw-in play in clubs, the contract would have been defeated, but this required considerable foresight and, moreover, entailed the risk that West would be jettisoning his side's only club trick.

### To-morrow's Hand

North dealer.  
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How should this hand be bid?

## Far East Position If Russia Loses

By John King Fairbank

If Russia loses to Germany, what will happen in the Far East? This is a vital question for Americans because we really are involved in Asia just as much as in Europe.

The answer is most disquieting, more serious than we realise. If Hitler's blitz succeeds against European Russia, Germany will have a good chance of joining forces with Japan and developing an Axis battlefront in the Far East. German planes over Singapore and the Dutch East Indies may sound improbable, but it is not as improbable as many things that already have happened.

If Russia collapses in Europe, we can have no assurance that Russia in Siberia will not come to terms. The Red Army in the Far East has its own heavy industry base around Lake Baikal, and has prepared for a self-sufficiency in war against Japan. But it is still controlled from Moscow, and we cannot be certain that a compromise engineered by Moscow would not bring Siberia into Hitler's camp, perhaps without a shot being fired. In that case what would happen to the democratic front in Eastern Asia?

### Lines of Approach

If the Germans, by their fighting and bargaining, obtained a guiding hand over Soviet economy and the use of Soviet railroads and bases, the Far East then would be wide open to them, along several lines of approach.

First, in China. The strong point on our side here is the army of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in West China, which still is holding the Japanese and still keeping them out of the Philippines and the Indies. But West China has at the back the vast province of Chinese Turkestan, through which have come Russian supplies along the 2,000-mile motor road from the strategic Turk-Sib (Turkestan-Siberian) railway. Russian supplies over this route until recently exceeded our own aid to China, and they went direct to Chiang's armies, not to the Chinese Communists.

### CENTRAL CHINA ROUTE

Hitler, once established in Siberia, could use this same route, bargaining with Chinese appeasers to send supplies along it and by making offers to the Chinese Communists. In other words, the Nazis would have access to Free China and a chance to try their tactics of infiltration.

It is not without significance that the first and only airline which successfully connected China and Europe across Central Asia was the German Lufthansa. German pilots and technicians are well acquainted with the route by air to China.

The possibility is, therefore, that Germany after attaining control of Russia could influence China from the rear. First, by threats and stirring up of trouble. The Mohammedans of Chinese Turkestan have a long tradition of rebellion against

In this dispatch, written for the United Press, a member of the History Department of Harvard University and an expert on Far Eastern affairs, explains the significance of the United States' relations to the Far East in connection with the Russo-German war.

China. Internally, China has recently experienced civil war between Chungking and the Communists.

Secondly, Hitler could try to influence China by an offer of tangible help. A strong China to keep Japan in check might be Hitler's game just as much as it is ours. By interceding with his Far Eastern ally, he might get Japan out of China in search of richer game to the south. By a combination of threats and cajolery, he might well confront Chiang Kai-shek with a bargain which he could not afford to refuse—favourable terms with Japan, German technicians to rebuild China, and German planes to defend it once rebuilt. In this way, he might be able to take China out of the war entirely.

The second and still greater danger, however, concerns German influence over Japan. Suppose, that by blitzing and bargaining with Moscow, Hitler gains control over the Far Eastern bases of the Red Army before Japan is able to do so by a frontal attack.

In that case, the standing threat to Japan from the Russian air base at Vladivostok could be greatly intensified by Germany. German bombers could cover the 600 or 700 miles to the crowded inflammable cities of Japan even more effectively than could those of Russia.

German or Russian submarines from Vladivostok could hamstring the vast and incessant flow of Japan-

ese shipping, which is necessary to keep the war in China going. Japan would probably find it more feasible to stay in the Axis rather than oppose it.

There is one priceless aid Hitler can offer to the Japanese new order—air power. The secret of Japan's inaction in southeast Asia has lain in that same word, air power. The Anglo-American front at Singapore lacks ships, but it boasts of planes. Twenty-one flying fortresses have been sent to Hawaii, whence they could proceed to Manila or Singapore in a few days. American fighter planes are already at Manila, and bombers can be sent there any time by air.

The Japanese know that a 1,500-mile supply line through the south China Sea from their bases at Formosa or Hainan could not be maintained without air protection. Without such a supply line to back up her armed forces Japan cannot afford to descend upon the Indies or Singapore, and must instead try to move bit by bit down through the jungle and mountains of the Malay Peninsula.

### BREAKING STALEMATE

The Japanese aircraft industry is notably weaker than the Anglo-American. But with Hitler supplying the air force the whole Far Eastern stalemate could be broken overnight. What this country has most to fear is a combination of Japanese sea power with German air power, which would make us fight in the Philippines and at Singapore. A small amount of German help could serve as a catalyst for Japanese action.

If Germany controlled Russia we might also, of course, expect trouble via Alaska, where we would then be like England, within eyeshot of German bases. Russian fortifications in Bering Strait and a submarine base not far away have been reported. The implications of a Russian collapse are that Germany could enter both China and Japan, perhaps taking China out of the war and galvanising Japan into action against us.

## Japan Taxed For Not Keeping Promises

By Robert Bellair

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

TOKYO, Aug. 8 (UP).—An important objective of Japan's new campaign to strengthen the Japanese-sponsored Nanking government is to pave the way for direct negotiations with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, according to Shigeru Kamio, editorial adviser of the influential daily, "Asahi Shimbun."

Kamio said the main reason Japan has been unable to negotiate peace with Chungking was that the Generalissimo does not trust Japan. Writing in the magazine, "Taiko," Kamio said the Japanese government should therefore demonstrate, in all its dealings with the Nanking regime, that all of Japan's promises will be carried out to the letter.

### Policy Criticised

Kamio said even though the "war faction" in Chungking might refuse to talk peace with Tokyo after Japan had fulfilled all her promises to Nanking, Japan's actions, nevertheless, would alienate the Chinese people from Chiang Kai-shek and lead to the collapse of his government.

Kamio criticised Japan's recent China policy on grounds of too much attention to military phases, and inadequate regard for political and economic problems.

Discussing Japan's economic policies in China, Kamio said: "Since last summer, restrictions on trading have obstructed the smooth circulation of materials. In other words, too many technicalities and want of sufficient statesmanship have caused a splendid opportunity for winning over the Chinese people to slip by."

"Another economic mistake is that authorities in China have tried to secure goods by means of paper currency without supplying goods in exchange. In the spirit of the Sino-Japanese peace treaty (between Tokyo and Nanking), Japan must supply the Chinese people with whatever materials they need at the same time she takes materials from them."

Kamio also advocated greater speed in the return of Chinese properties to the rightful owners, and criticised the tendency of the Japanese in China to create too many monopolies which force Chinese investors out of business. He said

that as long as China can produce sufficient quantities of any commodity to meet her own and Japan's needs, she should be permitted to do so under Chinese ownership.

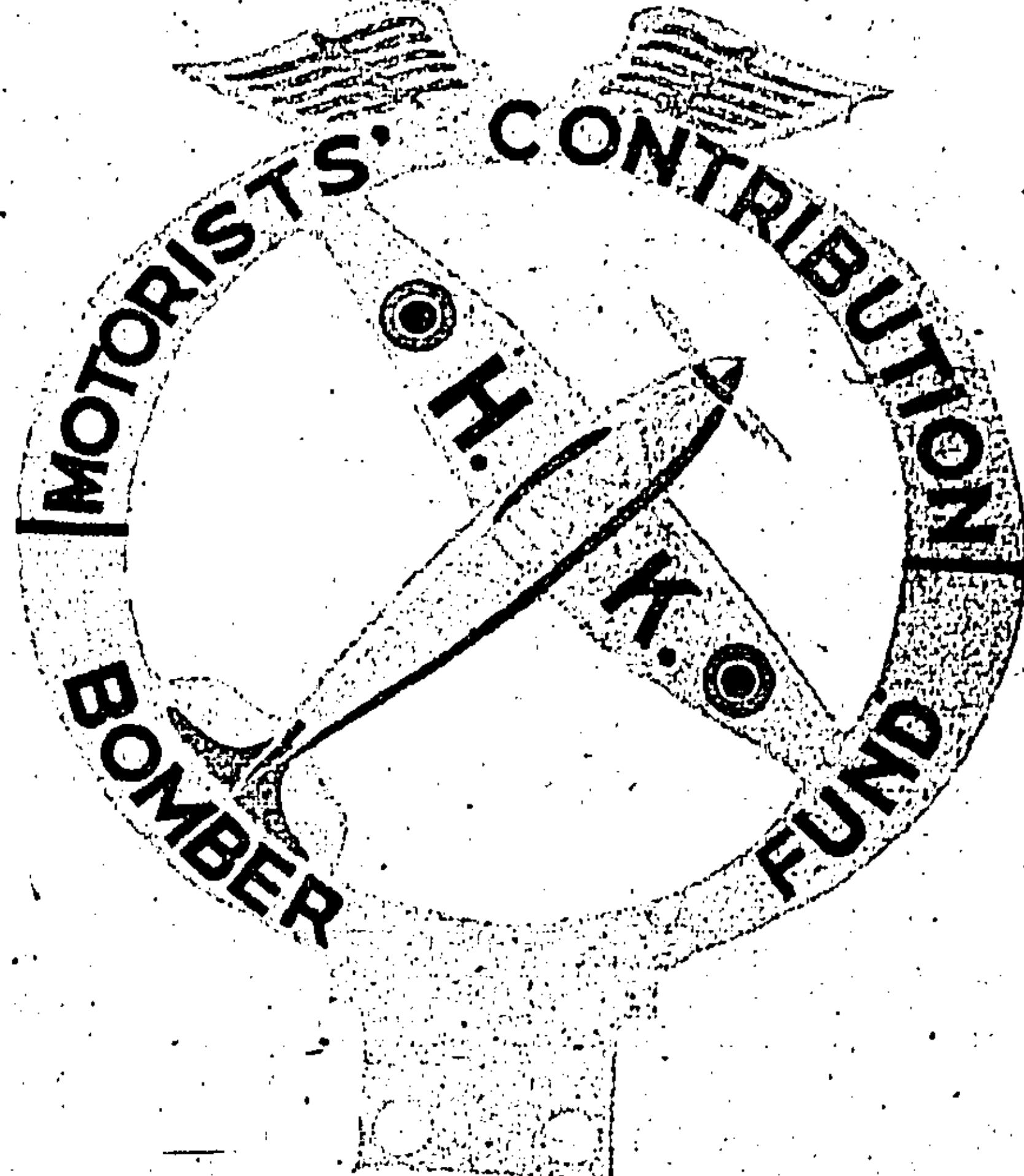
### No Early Peace

Kamio does not foresee early direct peace negotiations between Tokyo and Chungking. He said for the present all ideas of such a development must be placed aside.

He suggested that advocates of immediate peace talks should place themselves in Chiang Kai-shek's position. "Suppose Japan proposed peace to Chiang Kai-shek," he writes. "The anti-Communist Generalissimo would doubt think: 'There is no country in the world more untrustworthy than Japan. The moment I accept peace, my own war party would collapse. I would be inviting my own downfall by walking into a trap set by Japan.'"

### Loan To Nanking

The Cabinet Information Board spokesman recently disclosed that Tokyo's 300,000,000-yen loan to Nanking was intended to provide China with more goods from Japan. The spokesman said the loan, for which Nanking assertedly gave no security, was made in the form of credits from which Nanking may draw in making purchases from Japan. "Kamio advocated the utilisation of idle Japanese factories to produce materials for distribution in China. Even if some of these materials should reach Chungking."



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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Open space in wood  
6—Appointment (col.)  
10—Tavern or inn  
11—Cause of anything  
12—Black  
13—In bed  
14—Worship  
15—Defeat  
16—Disastrously  
17—Solitary (fish)  
18—Nett  
19—West (Scottish)  
20—Nest  
21—Porcelain factory  
22—Product of medicine  
23—Product of combustion  
24—Former coats of Venice  
25—Western state  
26—Disorderly gathering  
41—Wanderer  
42—Years of life  
43—Biblical word  
44—Laughing  
45—Place of darkness  
46—Carriage drawn by tractor  
47—Pistol duct  
48—Pretending to loose  
49—Metallic element  
50—Keep away from  
51—Male boy  
52—Saxon scrib  
53—Meadow harpichord

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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2—PINEAPPLE  
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DOWN

1—Graduate (col.)  
2—Disorderly  
3—Put into action  
4—Large bundle  
5—Tid  
6—Child person  
7—Helen's helpers  
8—Of truthful nature  
9—Put into action

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## Catching the Chengtu Bus

Three men, well-dressed for summertime in Chungking, went to the Lianglukou bus station one day to ask when the bus for Chengtu would be leaving. The station-master said it would be a half-hour late, so the trio went across the street for a last sip of Szechwan's potent native nectar. Thirty minutes later they walked over to the depot and were told the bus would not start for another 15 minutes—so they crossed the road for another last drink.

As they were draining their cups for the fourth time, they saw the Chengtu bus pulling out and all three ran unsteadily after the vehicle. Two of the men barely managed to hop on. The third, left behind, went to the wine shop for some liquid consolation. After one sip, he set his cup down and roared loud and long in laughter. The shopkeeper stepped over to ask the reason for the customer's sudden mirth.

Explained the three-time patron of the day: "Do you remember the two men with me who caught the bus a while ago? Well, they came to see me off." Norman Soong, in "China Fortnightly."



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### CUNNING MANOEUVRE

THE war in China goes on and on alongside the new developments, which are principally the occupation of French Indo-China and the threat to Russia—at the moment little more than an allegation. There is reason to think that the Japanese army of occupation in Indo-China will not seriously deplete Japan's strength in China and that this bold move which has been accomplished without a blow will not cost her dearly on the war fronts from which she has squeezed the few divisions dispatched to the south.

This force can be regarded as nothing more than a symbol of Japanese might for 50,000 troops would not get very far in the famous southward expansion. It is probably the inadequacy of the force that has toned down American and British reaction from an open break to a more or less friendly application of sanctions.

The Japanese are showing themselves remarkably cunning in this affair and success has already rewarded them in the tacit admission by the democracies that their coup is a fait accompli and nothing will be done about it provided that it is not carried further. The scare raised over Thailand serves the Japanese purpose too; it is a scare that may develop into a fire alarm for all of the South Pacific, but while it is kept smouldering it occupies the attention of the democracies in trying to stifle it and thus relegates to a secondary position the subjugation of Indo-China. In the meantime the Japanese can go ahead making an effective force of their symbolic southward expansion army, building a naval base from the fine facilities in Camranh Bay and accustoming the ambitious eyes of their aviators to the new star that has swum into their ken.

Rather unhappily for the Chinese they do not benefit as yet from the diversion of Japanese military forces to the north (the Manchukuoan border) and

THE long silence at Doorn was rarely broken in the post-war years. Of the countless human tragedies caused by the world war few can have awakened a smaller sympathetic response than that which befell the German Emperor.

William II did not want the war. In his own justification he has protested in the bitterness of his heart that he did not cause the war. But the almost universal belief in those terrible years that he was its author does not explain why the most glittering and powerful monarch of modern

times was left after his fall in an abyss of silent derision.

It was because he ran away that his figure dwindled into utter insignificance. From the moment it was known that with the collapse of German resistance he had stolen across the frontier into Holland his people ceased to have any further use for a man whose courage seemed to end in words.

He hated and feared England. Most of all he hated and feared his uncle, King Edward VII. Edward returned the compliment by scarcely troubling to conceal his contempt for Germany's knight in shining armour.

This is the kind of marginal note he wrote on documents dealing with the English King and English policy:

"Lies! The dog is lying! England! Uncle! a most charming fellow, this King Edward VII! Ineffable cheek! Pharisee!—Rot!—Twaddle! Bunkum! Hurrah, we've got the British scoundrels out this time!"

WHENEVER he opened his mouth about foreign affairs he managed to make mischief in some part of the world. He was boastful, vainglorious, self-assertive, obstinate. But his obstinacy was that of a weak man. In a crisis, or confronted with a strong personality, he sheltered himself behind words of boorish abuse.

There is no doubt something in the view of Emil Ludwig, one of his historians, that his uncontrolled arrogance developed from a thwarted childhood.

He was born with a withered left arm. Driven back upon himself by the necessity of hiding his infirmity and deprived in particular of the sympathy and good will of a mother who lavished her affections upon her younger children, his intolerable

the south (Indo-China)—in fact, from the latter they may expect new offensives against the Burma Road. The Japanese have established a large area between their permanent bases in China and the Chinese strongholds. By continuous thrusts by small well-armed veterans the invader keeps dispersing the defending forces and retains the initiative despite the disparity in numbers between the forces. Until the Chinese get some heavy artillery and planes they will continue to be kept at bay on all sectors by comparatively small Japanese garrisons while the armies of the New Order in Asia simultaneously press the offensive elsewhere.

The ex-Kaiser, Wilhelm II, died in June at Doorn, where he had been in exile for 23 years. In this picture, he is shown at right conferring with the late Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg in 1917.



Russia was mobilising her army of a million along the frontier fell like a thunderbolt. The end had come. "If we are to bleed to death," was all he could say, "England shall at all events lose India." After all the fine martial phrases he had bestowed upon his army and directed against other nations, he entered upon war a desperate man.

"Let the politicians," he commanded, "hold their tongues in war-time until the strategists permit them to speak." Almost as soon as the words were out of his mouth he had become the victim and slave of his own reckless axiom.

He never risked his life. He remained aloof from the fighting fronts. In his public speeches he was full of brag-gadocio.

# The Emperor Who Ran Away

By A. J. Cummings

self-conceit became in part a form of self-defence.

He liked to think of himself as the embodiment of aesthetic culture in Europe. But his culture was spurious and his knowledge shallow.

He continued his reign as he began it, wrapped up in his own grandeur and in his conception of the divinity of kingship. His first act as Emperor was to appeal not to the people but to the Army. "I and the Army," he declared, "we were born for each other."

He got rid of Bismarck, who for more than thirty years had been the dominant power in Germany, and he made a sad mess of Bismarck's policy. Bismarck had two simple objects—the isolation of France and the consolidation of the German Empire. To this end he aimed at avoiding a risk of collision between Austria and Russia.

He made it a rule that Germany should not be on bad terms with Russia and Great Britain at the same time and that accordingly British sea-power should never be challenged. Bismarck had also encouraged France to gratify her ambition for colonial expansion in order to divert her energy from Europe.

THE Kaiser had two main obsessions. One was to build a navy to match the British Navy—Churchill infuriated him by calling it a luxury navy—and the other was concerned with the Yellow Peril in the Far East, which he painted in colours almost as lurid as those used until very recently by Hitler about Soviet Russia.

Nearly all his personal diplomatic excursions either fell flat or ended disastrously. It was beyond question his neurotic personal intrusions into the delicate machinery of European politics, coupled with his resolve to create an unconquerable fleet, which brought the French and British close together and produced the fateful military conversations between the two Governments.

An irresistible impulse was given to the war machine and war followed as night follows day. The Kaiser had chiefly himself to blame for the fact that world opinion fastened the guilt on himself and that he became the symbol of all the cruelties and injustices and blundering stupidities which culminated in the greatest crime humanity ever committed against itself.

The irony of it is that the bemuddled gladiator had no stomach for a stand-up fight. He was not averse from comfortable little wars conducted by other nations at his behest or in his Imperial interest. But a world war in unfavourable cir-

cumstances, putting his own destiny and the destiny of his Empire to the final test, was something for which he had never bargained.

It is perhaps true to say that, in spite of all his blustering, buccaneering ejaculations, there was no ruler who dreaded war on the grand scale as much as William dreaded it.

WHEN the news was brought to him of the assassination of the Archduke and his wife at Sarajevo he was conducting the annual regatta in Kiel week and enjoying himself immensely.

A motor-boat approached his yacht. The Emperor signalled that he was not to be disturbed. But the officer in the boat daringly persisted. Waving on a high a dispatch, he thrust it into a cigarette-case and hurled it on board. A sailor picked it up and presented it to his sovereign.

When the Kaiser read the dispatch he was furious. Not grieving. He cared little for the Archduke; he cared little for anyone. He liked to wallow in a wishy-washy sentimentality but seemed incapable of a deep sincere human emotion, ever for never be challenged. Bismarck his wife, who filled him only with a deadly enmity.

HE was furious because the murder of the Archduke was an affront and a danger to the royal caste. He wanted Serbia to be taught a lesson.

But he neither expected nor desired war. The tidings that

he pondered but rejected a hero's death.

The faithful Hindenburg's demand that he should abdicate and depart for Holland "without delay" left him lifeless with indecision. "I never will," he cried. "It would be like a captain deserting a sinking ship."

But he went. "Well, if it must be so... but not before to-morrow morning."

And so in the early dawn the man who had made a thousand fiery speeches—the last proud representative of the Hohenzollerns, the great romantic—drove away for ever from the land of his bleak triumphs and final humiliation.

Not a courtier, not a friend, begged him to stay.

Years afterwards Germany passed once more into servitude under another kaiser. But the new kaiser is a man of the people.

There were those who thought the end of a free republic might mean the recall of William to Potsdam. Hitler at least knew better than that. He knew that Germany would never call back the Emperor who ran away.

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"But why should I wear my own slacks, dear, when there's always such a lot of loose change in yours!"



# Futile Dive-Bombing By Stukas at Tobruk

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

CAIRO, Aug. 11.—"The situation at Tobruk has achieved the paradox of being at once extremely lively and entirely stable," declared an English Captain who has just returned from there with others of Tobruk's garrison for a spell of leave.

"Our Axis pals seem slow in learning from our mistakes, for they still persist in Stuka dive-bombing which is very wasteful as regards bombs which rarely do anything but bury themselves in the sand.

"I have experienced hundreds of Stuka raids and their effect is really negligible although the enemy seem to think that our nerves are shaken by them."

The Captain said that his ship was heavily bombed as she left Tobruk harbour but was not hit.

The best reply to Axis propaganda that Tobruk is besieged is the presence here of troops on leave from Tobruk who had no difficulty in getting out and anticipate returning to duty at Tobruk shortly with equal facility. Tobruk in fact is being serviced and maintained perhaps more copiously than other front-line positions because it is possible to send larger consignments at one time by sea than by land.

Troops here with brown toughened appearance of Tobruk habitues receive preferential service in restaurants. As one proprietor said, "The gentlemen of Tobruk always come first in my establishment."

## Killed To A Man

CAIRO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A British communiqué to-day states that during Saturday night Italian troops delivered an attack against one of our posts in the outer defences of Tobruk.

The attackers were allowed to approach to within 200 yards when they were killed almost to a man by heavy defensive fire from our artillery and machine-guns.

## SOVIET APPEAL TO SLAVS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (UP).—Radio Moscow to-day broadcast an appeal, "blood for blood, death for death, start the liberation war against Germany and Fascism."

This appeal was launched at a meeting of "Slavic" and broadcast in fifteen Slavic languages. It was charged that the Germans had murdered three million Poles, while in Yugoslavia, 32,000 civilians were murdered in the first week of German occupation, and the total number killed is 80,000.

## ALL-AMERICAN EAGLE SQUADRON

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A second All-American Eagle Squadron has been formed in the R.A.F., states the Air Ministry, and has already had its first encounter with the enemy.

As a result the squadron claims one Junkers 88 as "probably destroyed."

## Control Over Stock Exchange

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 11 (UP).—Morning papers in Tokyo to-day predicted that at the meeting this afternoon of the General Mobilization-Intelligence Council, Prime Minister Konoye, the Premier, will recommend a complete State control over the stock exchange—through restrictions in daily fluctuations.

## Emergence Of Canada As A Sea Power

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Canada is planning a ship-building programme including the construction of destroyers and the launching of 1,000,000 tons of merchant ship-building next year.

This fresh aspect of the Allied war effort is among the topics being discussed by Mr Angus MacDonald, the Canadian Navy Minister, Rear-Admiral P. W. Nelles, the Canadian Chief of Staff, Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, and other Admiralty officials in London this week.

### Technical Aid

Mr MacDonald told reporters that technical assistance was needed and he hoped to obtain this from Britain. The merchant ship-building programme was begun this summer and the first vessel would be ready for the end of the year. Next year he expected to have 100 new merchantmen on the water.

The whole scheme will come to maturity next year when it is expected that one million tons will be launched, but doubtless the figure will be increased in the following year.

"If trouble comes in the Pacific," Mr MacDonald said, "all I am able to say is that Canada will dispose of its fleet to the best advantage. The first duty of our navy will be to defend Canada wherever that may take it."

Since war broke out, the Canadian Navy has grown from 13 ships to 250, and the personnel from 1,800 to 22,000.

## STOCK EXCHANGE Firm Undertone

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quietly steady. Far Eastern uncertainties influenced the markets early but a firm undertone again became apparent towards the close.

Brevels and South American rails continued to advance on further buying while Japanese bonds had a downward trend, but elsewhere movements were generally trifling with gilt-edged and flatters a shade lower, and oils and industrials well held.

## Finland Bombed

HELSINKI, Aug. 11 (UP).—An official communiqué states that enemy planes on Sunday night bombed Raumo, Hamina and Leckelä.

## Revenge Said Motive Of Assault

A man named Douglas Gifford of No. 206, Sul Yeung Choi Street, was the victim of a revenge assault by three Chinese on T-jung Street junction with Maple Street last night, according to a report to the Police. The report stated that two of the men were armed with hammers. One of the men is said to have been arrested.

## Exchange At A Glance

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Demand London	1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	495
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2 n.
T.T. India	82 1/2
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4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/4
4 m/s Franco	—
30 d/s India	84 1/2
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U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

## PIPING OIL ACROSS U. S. Defence Measure

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A joint plan for the construction of a 1,920-mile oil pipeline system has been submitted to Mr Harold Ickes, the Petroleum Defence Administrator, by 11 large-oil companies to-day.

The system would be capable of delivering 250,000 barrels of oil a day into the New York area from the southwest.

Plans call for an immediate start and completion within nine months.

The formal agreement would become effective as soon as Mr Ickes approves the plan and the President proclaims the line necessary for national defence.

Everything Planned

A proclamation to this effect from the President would clear the way for the creation of a jointly-owned \$80,000,000 "National Defence Pipelines Inc." the financing of which is being arranged through private placement of five-year notes.

Field surveying by aerial photography is already under way. This will ensure the start of the initial project with minimum delay.

## Few Raiders Over Britain

LONDON, Aug. 11 (UP).—A joint Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communiqué states that a few raiders flew off the east coast of England and Scotland last night but only one penetrated inland. Bombs which were dropped at points in Scotland caused neither damage nor casualties.

## Nothing To Report

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—"Nothing to report" was the terse communiqué issued this evening by the Ministry of Home Security.

## British Tanker Sunk

BERLIN, Aug. 11 (UP).—According to the official news agency, a German long-range bomber to-day sank an 8,000-ton British tanker out of a strongly escorted convoy in the Atlantic 500 kilometers west of Cadiz.

# Hull Warns Congress Not To Weaken Army

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The failure of Congress to extend the service of Army rank and file would have an "exceedingly bad" psychological effect alone on the international situation, declared the Secretary of State Mr Cordell Hull at a press conference to-day.

Mr Hull authorised a direct quotation of the words "exceedingly bad" in order to emphasise them.

Mr Hull declined to discuss specific details of the Army extension legislation. He said that he was considering the general effect that failure to pass some extension would have on American foreign relations.

Replying to a question whether the present dangers to the United States warranted some extension, Mr Cordell Hull said that reading newspaper headlines should emphasise that dangers do exist.

When told that some members of Congress appeared to be fully unaware of these dangers, Mr Hull replied that that seemed to be the matter. He recalled that he had made numerous statements over a period of years warning people regarding the objectives of certain nations in the direction of unlimited conquest by force.

## Navy Offered Yards Over Strikers

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Navy Department has been offered the Kearney Shipyard for "immediate possession and operation" by the Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Company.

Work at Kearney, New Jersey, is at a standstill following the strike of 18,000 workers, which is variously reported as involving the formation of a modified union shop and the presentation of wage increase demands.

Orders for \$493,000,000 worth of war and merchant shipping are in hand at these yards.

## Cost Of Living Of Civil Servants

The Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor to advise on high cost of living allowance for dollar-paid Government officials who are on the permanent staff, other than those whose salaries do not exceed \$30 a month, held its second meeting in Mr Justice Cressall's Chambers at the Supreme Court yesterday.

The Committee comprises Mr Justice E. F. Cressall (Chairman), the Hon. Mr Li Tse-fong, Mr A. J. C. Taylor, Mr Ng Chuk-wing, Mr Q. A. A. Macdonald with Mrs W. A. Jones as Secretary.

The Hon. Mr W. J. Carrie, Chairman of the Urban Council, attended the meeting yesterday and made a statement to the Committee. He was questioned by various members of the Committee with regard to the matters into which they are inquiring.

Family Budgets

The Secretary reported that in response to the Committee's circular, several members of the junior staff had submitted memoranda with regard to their family budgets. These statements will be circulated to members of the Committee after which it is possible the Committee will call some of these officers to amplify their views.

It is hoped to hear evidence from representatives of outside firms with regard to what they have done on the question of high cost of living allowance to their employees and it is also expected that the Manager of the railways will attend one of the meetings and give his views to the Committee.

At the moment, it is not proposed to hold any of the meetings in public.

The next meeting will take place this afternoon when the Director of Medical Services, the Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, will give evidence.

## Sinkiang Govt And Nazi-Russo War

PESHAWAR, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—There has been a considerable improvement in the attitude of the Sinkiang Government towards British subjects following the Russo-German war, according to reports received here from Kashgar.

British and Afghan subjects who were arranging to leave the country have therefore, it is stated, decided to remain.

## Australian Cabinet

MELBOURNE, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The emergency Cabinet meeting will be continued to-morrow.

An early conference with Mr John Curtin, the Labour leader, is indicated.

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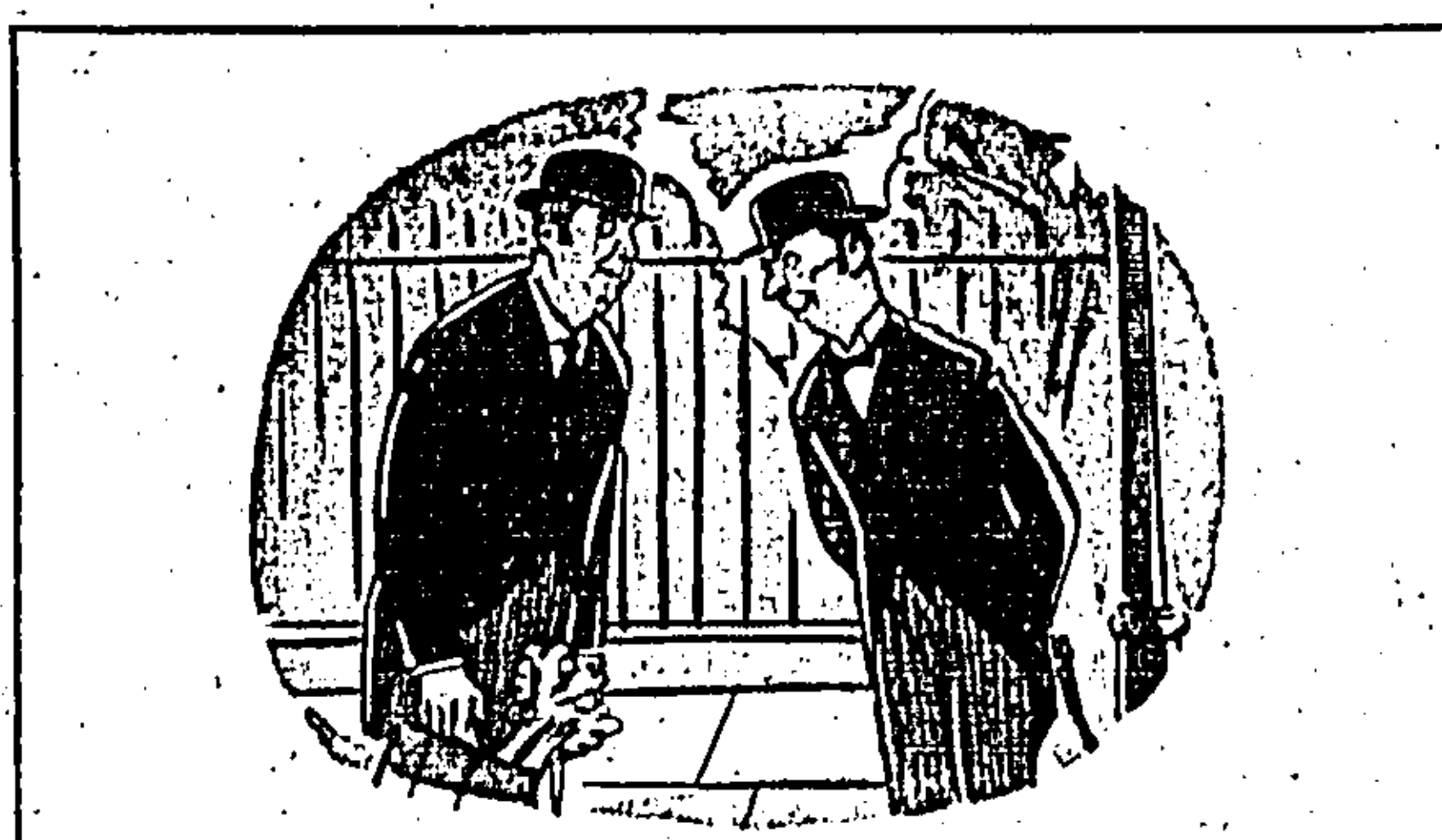
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# "Ball Fan's" Baseball Notes

## Sappers Suffer Year's Biggest Beating



ACTION AT THE PLATE. Nip Lum, Mohawks, trots across while Bill Chang, Chung Hwa catcher, reaches spectacularly for a high throw.—Ming Yuen.

### Joe Louis Admits That He's "Slipping"

DETROIT.—Joe Louis, by his own admission, is "slipping." "I ain't near the fighter I used to be," the heavyweight boxing champion asserted.

"I guess I've slipped pretty far. Won't know how far until my next fight with Lou Nova in September," he continued. "If I had then I've slipped too far. I'll give it all up. Ain't no use only out-judging to get punched around."

#### Conn Battle

WHAT made Louis think he had gone back so far? "Why," he answered, "what happened in the (Billy) Conn fight. I have him in the third round and again in the fifth, but I can't finish him. I know then that I've slipped. Chappie (Jack Blackburn, his trainer) kept telling me that a little fellow should beat me, especially no little fellow who was 25 pounds lighter'n me.

"But I can't stop him till the thirteenth round. Then I think it was Conn who beat himself. He fight himself out in the twelfth and then I finish him in the thirteenth."

#### Tough Grind

WHAT did he really think caused him to slip so far? "Dunno for sure," he said. "Guess it was a couple of things. I been working too hard. I been in training since November 13, and ain't had but one little vacation of two weeks between fights. "I guess my training for Buddy Bear in Washington helped some, too. The building I trained in had a tin roof. It was awful hot there. I noticed that in my sparring I was getting tired after two rounds. Figured it was the heat that done it.

### Nineteenth Defence Of World Title

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (UP).—Mike Jacobs, promoter of the Twentieth Century Club, Madison Square Garden, announced to-day that Joe Louis, world heavyweight boxing champion, will defend his title against Lou Nova, at the Yankee Stadium, New York, on September 19.

Nova beat Max Baer impressively twice and also defeated Pat Comiskey, another promising heavyweight. Nova has not, however, met Joe Louis before. Tony Galento knocked out Lou Nova in 1939, but it was later revealed that Nova was suffering from a blood infection which later threatened his life.

Joe Louis has a wonderful record to date and has only been knocked out once during his professional career—by Max Schmeling, of Germany. The Negro will make the 19th defence of his title on September 19. He has fought seven times at the Yankee Stadium, where he beat Primo Carnera (Italy), Max Baer (U.S.), Tony Galento (U.S.), Tommy Farr (Great Britain), Jack Sharkey (U.S.) and Arturo Godoy (Argentina).

Anyhow, I know I ain't as good a fighter as I used to be."

### Two Records Broken At U.S. Aquatic Meet

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 8 (Domest).—Bronzed swimmers from Hawaii swept through the final day of the national A.A.U. swimming meet with a flourish that won a convincing touch to their string of victories throughout the three-day tournament, breaking two national records in the process.

Records were hung up in the 600-metre race by Kiyoshi Nakama, with a time of 10 min 12 1/2 sec and the 300-metre medley by Jose Balmores, with a time of 3 min 50 1/2 sec.

Admiral provided the lone break in the string of Hawaiian victories with a triumph in the 100-metre backstroke.

#### Results

The events and times of winners follow: 100 metres free style.—1, Tekeshi Hirose (Hawaii); 2, Otto Jarets (Chicago Towers Club); 3, Bill Frew (Detroit); 4, Dick Lyon (California Athletic Club). Time.—1 min 17 1/2 sec. 100 metres backstroke.—1, Adolf Klefer (Chicago Towers); 2, Fred Gass (Dallas, A.C.); 3, Bruce Donaldson (Washington A.C.); 4, Bob Taylor (N.Y.C.A.). Time.—1 min 6 3/4 sec. 200 metres breaststroke.—1, Jose Balmores (Hawaii); 2, Counsilman (St. Louis Y.C.A.); 3, Carlos Rivas (Honolulu); 4, Ralph Wright (unattached). Time.—2 min 43 1/2 sec. 400 metres free style.—1, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 2, Kiyoshi Nakama; 3, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 4, Buena Nakama; 5, Charles Oda. Time.—10 min 8 1/2 sec. 300 metres medley.—1, Jose Balmores (Hawaii); 2, Bill Frew (Detroit); 3, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 4, Victor Club. Time.—3 min 50 1/2 sec. 500 metres relay.—1, Hawaii (Hirose, Nakama, Oda, Smith); 2, Pasadena A.C.; 3, University of California; 4, Varsity Club. Time.—9 min 14 1/2 sec. 10-metre diving.—1, Earl Clark (Ohio State University); 2, Norman Sper (Santa Barbara); 4, Harry Pez (Santa Barbara); 5, 200 metres.—1, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 2, Takashi Hirose (Hawaii); 3, Paul Horren (unattached, Honolulu); 4, Michael Prince (Flahugh Boys Club, Brooklyn). 300 metre medley relay.—1, Tower Club (Chicago); 2, Hawaii; 3, San Jose Olympic Club; 4, Pasadena Athletic Club. Time.—3 min 20 1/2 sec.—Donnel.

#### League Tennis

### South China Overwhelm K. Tong 8-1

SOUTH CHINA trounced Kowloon Tong 8-1 in the "A" Division of the local tennis league yesterday at King's Park. E. Lee and C. Ma were the only pair to take a set for the losers, while T. Ling and S. K. Kwok conceded three sets on walks-over. Scores were: S. C. Dew and P. Szeto beat F. H. Kwok and P. Fletcher 7-5; and E. Lee and C. Ma 6-7; walk over from T. E. Ling and S. K. Kwok. He beat Kwok and Fletcher 6-3; beat Lee and Ma 6-2; walk over from Ling and Kwok. W. T. Lee and W. T. Lee beat Kwok and Fletcher 6-3; beat Lee and Ma 6-1; walk over from Ling and Kwok.

### Mindanao Take Custody Of Bagram Shield

#### Maroons Trounce Mohawks

"High-scoring wins"—a term literally sprayed throughout baseballdom as a pain-producing heart-ache to scorekeepers and umpires, yet a heart-throb with a Turkish Delight thrown in, to the winners—gave the local two-game baseball card, the first programme in many a week, that added "merrily we go around" flavour. The scattered few in the stands looked with dismal awe as hickory batons and horse-hides took a terrific pounding.

Mindanao's terrific M, sailing down the clear home stretch toward the Bagram Shield, smothered a really weak Royal Engineer nine with a heavy avalanche of runs and basehits 27-4. It was the highest platter-crossing tilt marked up by the Mindanao scorekeeper this season in their clear dash toward the pennant.

THE Chung Hwa Maroons barged into the first division for keeps, lambasting Charlie Waggoner's Redskin Tribe 10-8 behind the five hit twirling of Al "spectacles" Lau.

CHAMPIONS for two years in a row and pride of American ball fans in the Colony, the pennant holders closed out their series with Welford's Royal Engineers in dazzling style, pounding out a sixteen hit barrage to sweep twenty-seven tallies across the plate.

The league leaders played a "bunny" scoring game, garnering their record total in five frames. Sending the striking Tony Muscavage to the hilllock in his first start against the Sappers this year, the Terrible Al opened up their tremendous spree in the last of the initial frame after the Engineers had tallied a lone run on a walk and a wild throw by third sacker Bowerston.

Woe Willie Wilson lined Mickey Sarsfield's second toss into left field for a clean single. Ruel took first on a wild throw, sending the fleet-footed Wilson home with the champions' first tally. Ski Powlawski walked and two more runs Muscavage to the plate on two errors. Tony Muscavage cashed in with the fourth run in this opening frame on another miscue.

The loose fielding Sappers threatened with three runs in the second canto when hurler Tony Muscavage weakened momentarily. George Harper ran all the way to first base on a muffed third strike. After Davis and Pele Fox both whiffed in the sweltering breeze, Willie Mac Shaw's driving bingle through third sent the rookie Harper and Foley-riding across the pan. Elmerie Taylor lifted a single over third driving in lanky Mac Shaw. Wolfe Welford fled to left field, ending the Sappers' high-scoring inning.

Breaking loose with a vengeance in their half of the 2nd, the American gunboat nine rolled through with a six run outburst, on a walk, two wild pitches and successful singles by Crooner Ruel, Ski Powlawski, Tony Muscavage and R. J. Wilson.

This inning featured Reg "what a man" Daniels, in his first starry game with the champions. The popular Daniels, Mindanao's No. 1 ball fan, crashed across the plate with his first run of the season, on Crooner Ruel's smash hit. The Yankee tars blasted away with five more runs in the 3rd stanza, stormed through the Sapper defence with eight "count 'em" runs in the 4th frame on five staggering blows, and finished off their scoring rampage in the 5th with four final runs, as the weary ball-shagging Engineers took their worst trimming of the season.

Showing a complete "volte-face" after their sensational win over the champions, Charlie

#### Weekend Stars

Willie Wilson and Ski Powlawski, Mindanao—Former smashed out the longest hit of the fray, a striding triple in the 4th canto and also crossed the pan with five tallies in the champions' big win. latter played a versatile game behind the plate and hurled shut-out ball in the relief role.

Chan Yu-tin and Wally Ching, Chung Hwa Maroons—Former led the Maroons slugging attack, slugging out three bingles and contributing four runs; latter marked up three Chinese runs and hurled steady relief ball in the humid heat.

Waggoner's Mohawks figured the season was all over when only six Redmen showed up at the ball park.

With Bill Silva, Eddie Marques and Smudge Smith given contracts in a last minute, grandstand front office deal, the Mohawks started the game with these additional rookies.

Wally Ching's muff in the opening stanza brought Nip Lum tearing over the pan with the first Mohawk run, but the Maroons came back in their half with a single tally when Choy Ping-fun walked, stole second and crossed the platter on Nip Lum's gifted miscue.

The Chinese took the coveted lead in the 2nd frame with a lone-run and crashed through with six markers in a high-riding 3rd stanza on four walks, three errors and a bingle. Continuing their desperate move for more runs, the Chung Hwa added three tallies in the 4th canto and climaxed their fifth win of the year with eight runs in the next stanza.

Highlight of the game was the dazzling double play in the 1st inning when Nip Lum nabbed Bill Chang's sliding liner to double Morocco Chan off second with a fast throw to Mac Wong. Starting twirler Smudge Smith was sent to the showers in the 3rd frame. Relief hurler Mac Wong found trouble in locating the plate and Doc Molthen was sent in to finish the game.

Scores:—

Mohawks..... 10 15 00 0 0 0 0  
Chung Hwa..... 1 0 3 8 0 0 19 7 4  
Batteries:—Smudge Smith, Mac Wong, Doc Molthen and Chan, Waggoner, Nip Lum; Al Lau and Bill Chang.  
Engineers..... 13 0 0 0 0 0 4 4 11  
Mindanao..... 4 6 5 8 4 0 0 27 10 3

Batteries:—Mickey Sarsfield, Mac Shaw and Foley; Tony Muscavage, Ski Powlawski, Tony Muscavage.

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"H.L. Brewers.....	4	1	.800
Chung Hwa Maroons.....	5	3	.625
Archville-Talis.....	1	1	.500
H.K. Baseball Club.....	3	5	.375
Royal Engineers.....	2	6	.250
South China.....	1	6	.146

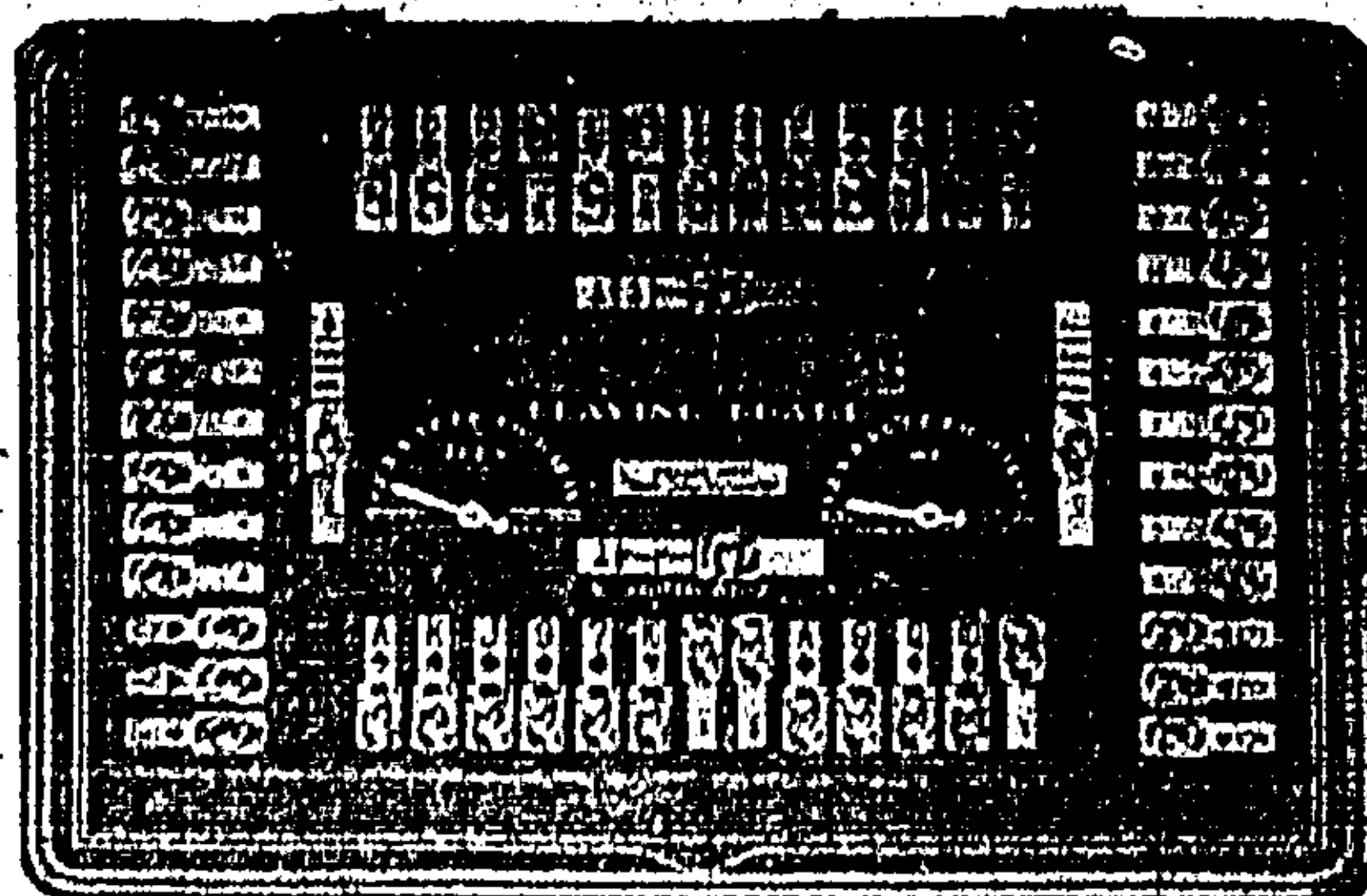
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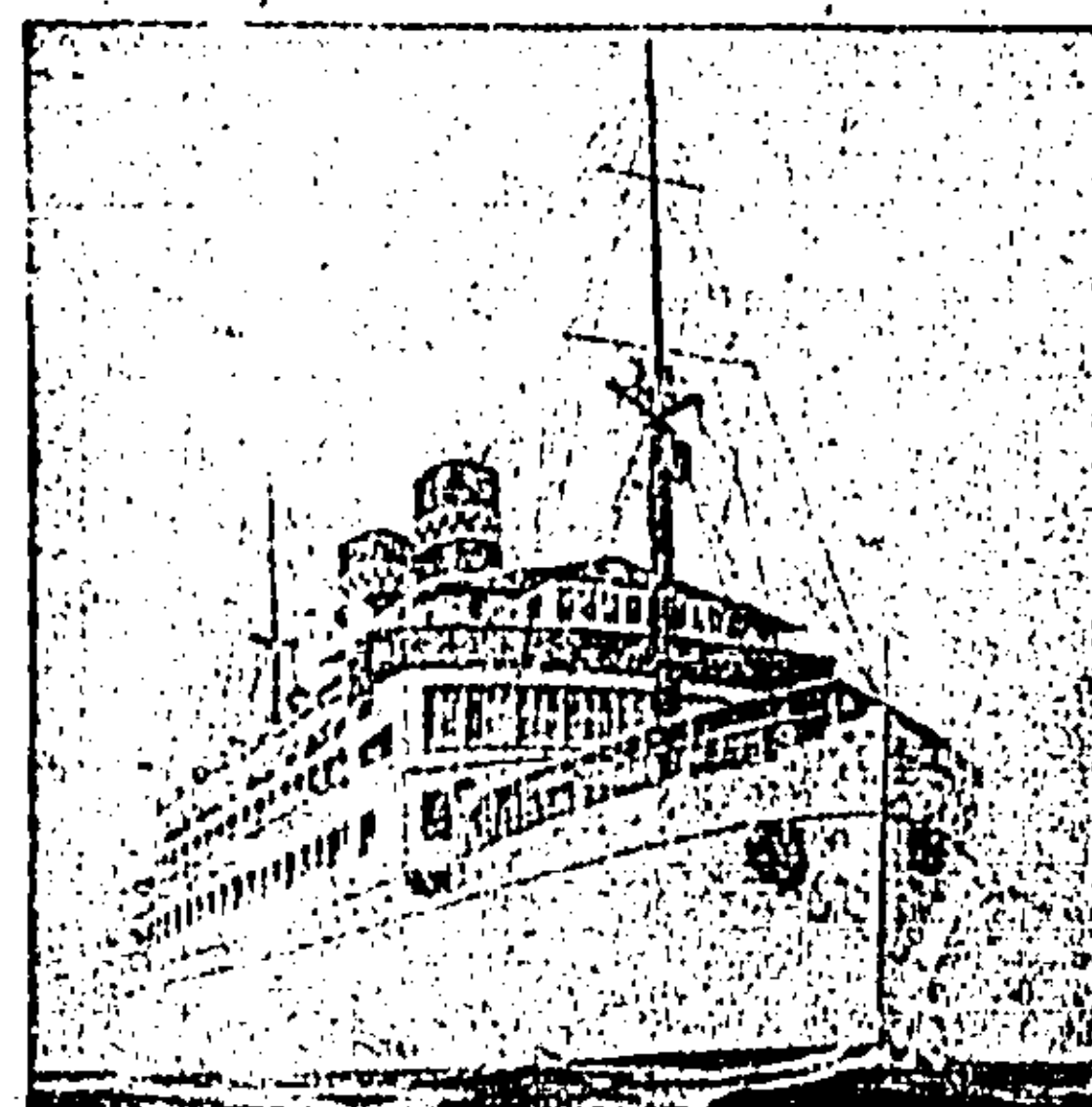
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## Ten Long Solar Periods Said Affecting Weather Forecasts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (UP).—There are ten long periods in the radiation of the sun. Each of these has directly observable effects on the temperature and rainfall of the earth, but this varies with place and season and there is some as yet unknown factor which complicates long range weather forecasting.

These conclusions from the work of the Astrophysical observatory of the Smithsonian Institution were announced by Secretary Charles G. Abbot. They were thought to bring a step nearer the day when useful weather forecasts may be made for several years ahead based upon solar observations.

"The sun's radiation also varies irregularly from day to day. These variations attend the sun's 27-day rotation, for the sun's surface has hot spots as well as cold spots upon it," a Smithsonian bulletin said.

"Columns of finely-divided matter shot from sun-spot regions appear to bombard the earth and veil the sun slightly when such sun-spots are exactly central. Thus both increases and decreases of the sun's radiation affect us as the sun rotates.

"An increase in the output of the sun, especially if of short duration, does not necessarily mean an increase in the temperature of the earth as a whole. Local conditions, such as cloudiness and location with respect to prevailing winds, have profound effects."

### "Changes Of Phase"

In the past Dr Abbot has been puzzled by apparent "changes of phase" in the weather effects of the long periods in solar variation. Almost precisely opposite weather results would sometimes ensue from the same solar phenomenon. Recent work has convinced him, however, that this is explainable. It depends on the season of the year. For example, he says, take an 8-and-one-eighth month period—one which he actually has found in the solar variations. Every time it recurs in the same season it will have the same effects at a given station, so far as it itself is concerned. Other simultaneously operating solar variations may, of course, partially modify the effects.

The solar periods listed by Dr Abbot range from eight and one-eighth to 273 months. The latter, about 23 years, appears to be the major period in which all the others repeat themselves and the most successful long range forecast to date have been based upon it. They have been reasonably accurate for two or three years in advance.

Dr Abbot has analysed temperature and precipitation records for Copenhagen, Vienna, and New Haven for the past 140 years and found that solar periodicities continued with unaltered phase throughout this period. They were sufficient to account for all departures from normal temperatures.

### Long-Term Forecasts

Dr Abbot gives examples of fairly successful weather forecasts five years in advance. These are made by finding the average effect of each of the ten long solar periods on weather for 50 years back. These separate effects are then combined for the five years to come.

Considerable success, he believes, might be achieved in detailed temperature and rainfall predictions for two weeks in advance, based on the changes in radiation reaching the earth because of the 27 day rotation of the sun on its axis. But this would require a sufficient number of co-operating solar observing stations to secure highly accurate solar radiation measures every day in the year. With the three stations now available in New Mexico, California, and Chile, cloudiness prevents the observation of the sun on many days of the year.

These day-by-day solar changes, Dr Abbot demonstrates, are major factors in controlling weather for short periods.

A highly active region on the sun may actually reduce the solar radiation received on the earth, Dr Abbot points out, because "I conceive there is an emanation from the sun, especially active in sunspot regions. This emanation produces either scattering, or absorption, or both for solar rays. Its columns are shot outwards from the sun for hundreds of millions of miles, and take roughly conical shapes, with vertices at the sun's surfaces. As the sun rotates, these columns sweep through space and may even reach the earth. Then the solar constant is diminished by several percent."

## Little Norway In Gt Britain

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wire- less).—Prince Olaf to-day visited a hospital opened by the Norwegian Government about a year ago. Staffed by Norwegian doctors and nurses, the hospital contains 45 beds of which 41 are occupied. Most of the patients are from the Norwegian merchant navy but there are some men who were wounded in the Lofoten raid.

All the nine nurses on the staff have made their escape from Norway since the German occupation. Two of them had especially exciting adventures as the fishing boat in which they sailed had put back into port for repairs.

While these were being effected, a close watch was kept for the Nazis, but the boat was able to set forth again and arrived at the Shetlands after a rough passage lasting about 30 hours.

One of the doctors escaped to England dressed as a fisherman about three months ago.

## YOUNG MARSHAL STATEMENT BY GOVERNMENT

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Questioned concerning Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, the Young Marshal, Mr. Shih-chieh Publicity Minister, said that though his sentence was commuted, a Court Martial had ordered the placing of the Marshal under the strict surveillance of the National Military Council for five years, adding that the Marshal had already been under surveillance for more than four years.

Replying to another question, Mr. Wang stated that no major clashes between Communist and Central forces were reported in the past fortnight.

## Australian Minister Utters Stern Warning

Special to the "Telegraph"

DES MOINES, Iowa, Aug. 11 (UP).—The Australian Minister, Mr. Richard Casey addressed the Iowa Department of the American Legion this evening and declared that the Nazis are seeking by fighting or threats, to dominate the entire world, including South America where, he charged, thousands of Nazi agents are now working.

He was of the opinion that the events of the past two years vindicated Australia's prompt decision to enter the war at the outset, and that the United States had regarded the struggle as a European war and had underestimated the scope of Hitler's ambition which had progressively expanded during the last two years.

"Hitler ravaged over eleven nations and is now engaged in a terrible war with Russia. You know what is going on in the Far East. You know what is happening in South America. You know what may happen again in northwest America," Mr. Casey declared. "The ring is closing in. Hitler's plan is far enough developed that the purpose of it is plain and cannot be concealed any more."

He asserted that Germany has thrown millions of troops against Russia; that Japan had joined the Axis; that Turkey had been bludgeoned into silence and that "Nazi agents by the thousands are hard at work in South America."

Germany from the beginning was frank about her aims and "carried them out with remarkable force and cunning. She is half way and more to her full objective of world domination and the rattle of German drums can be heard in other areas upon which she has designs. The only fly in the ointment is that she and her friends have not yet overrun the British countries—have not yet overrun the United States or Russia."

The facts require full scale mutual co-operation. "I believe the continued existence of Britain is essential to the United States—just as the continued existence of the United States is essential to us. I believe that the United States and the British Empire are like two blades of the scissors—they must work together to do their job."

The International Red Cross have despatched upwards of 24,000 food parcels from reserve stocks in Greece to Greece, it being understood that a restricted rail service is in operation.

At the end of July there were over 9,000 prisoners at Salonika and about 2,000 wounded officers and men in hospital in Athens.

There were over 3,000 still to be evacuated from Crete but it was possible that not all the latter were British.

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## Two-Ocean Fleet Of U.S. Two Years Nearer

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, August 11 (Domel).—A Navy spokesman declared that the fleet building speed-up which is cutting the construction time of new warships by an average of 12.5 per cent. for each vessel, will give the United States a two-ocean navy two years earlier than scheduled.

The spokesman said that barring labour troubles or actual war the Navy would be "substantially ready" by 1944 instead of 1946 or 1947.

Although some of the 17 battle-ships authorised and perhaps certain other large units will still be uncompleted, the United States by 1944 should have the world's most powerful fleet ready "for any possible combination" of powers.

The triple shift work in Navy yards, authorisation of overtime pay, and new worker training programmes began to show their results in the accelerated deliveries which began to reach their peak in June and July.

According to the spokesman, the Government is paying for overtime

in 14 private plants building warships whose contracts were let on the basis of a 44-hour week. During the period of June and July, vessels were launched almost every week with the keels laid of 38 ships including the aircraft-carrier Cabot, five cruisers, 24 destroyers, and eight submarines while eight warships including the South Dakota were launched.

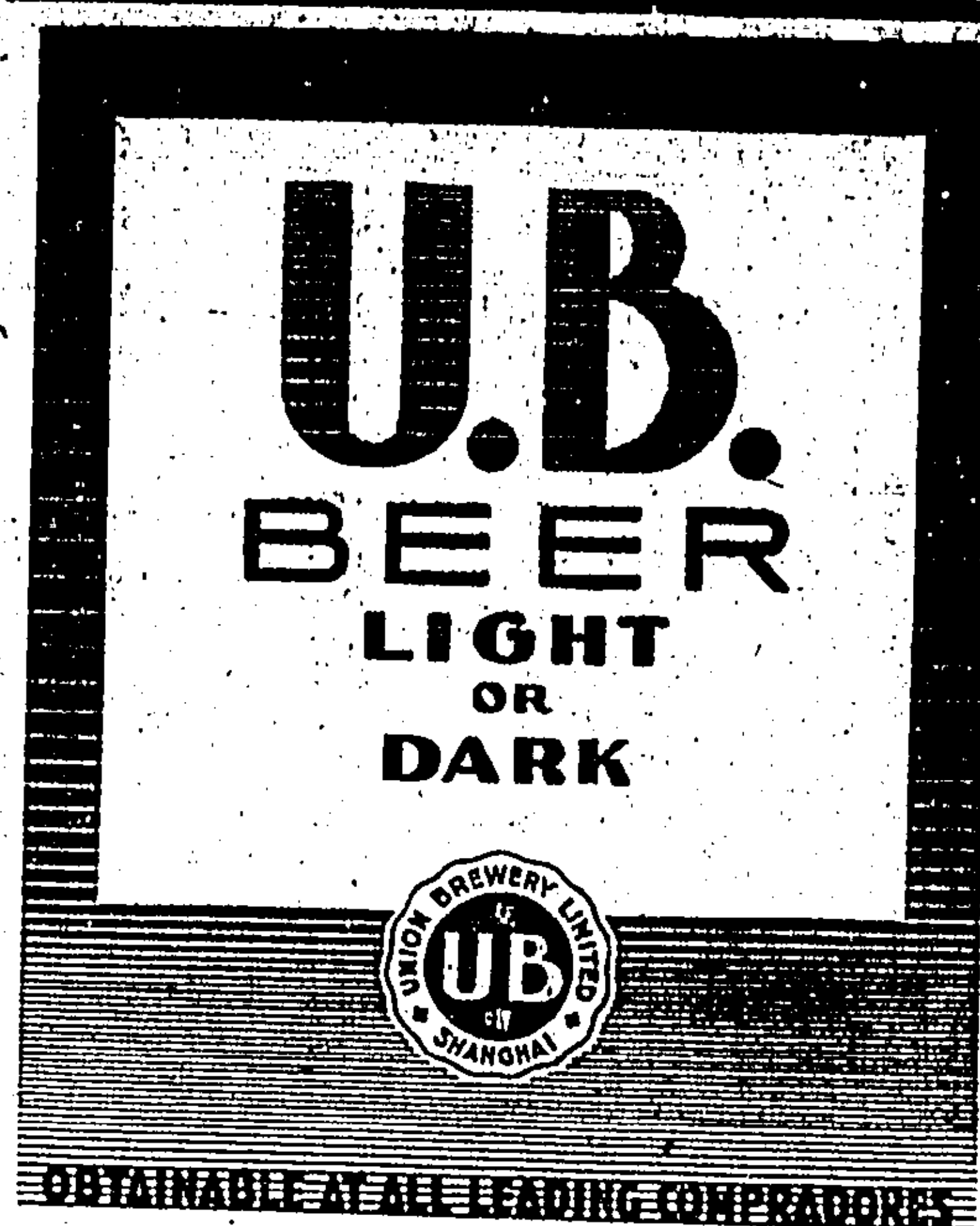
There are indications that in accordance with the repeated recommendation of the Secretary of State, Col. Frank Knox, emphasis is being laid on the destroyer programme at the expense of heavier ships.

It is recalled that the Meric Island Navy Yard recently reported that the submarine fleet under construction there was from two months to a full year ahead of schedule.

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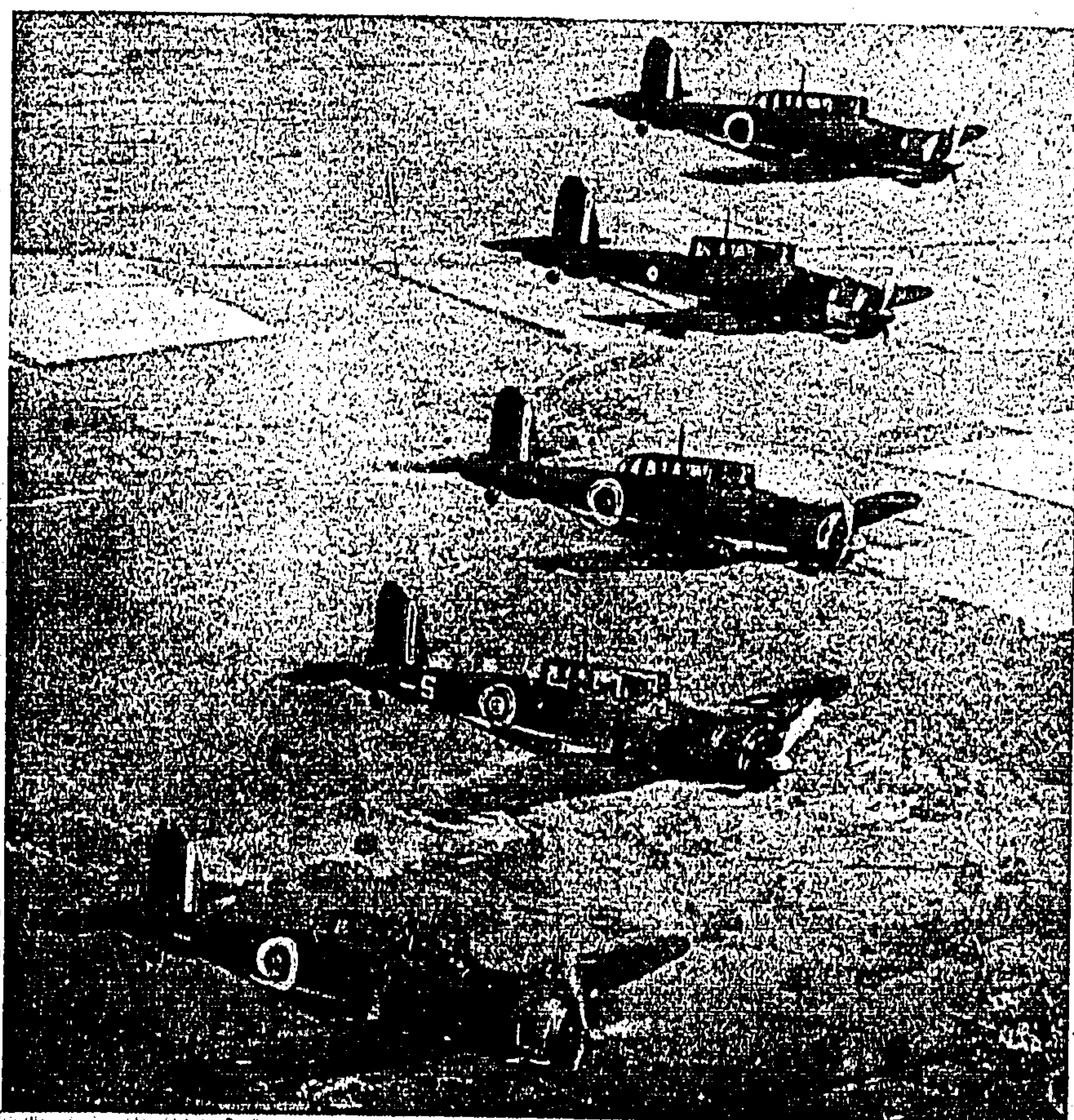
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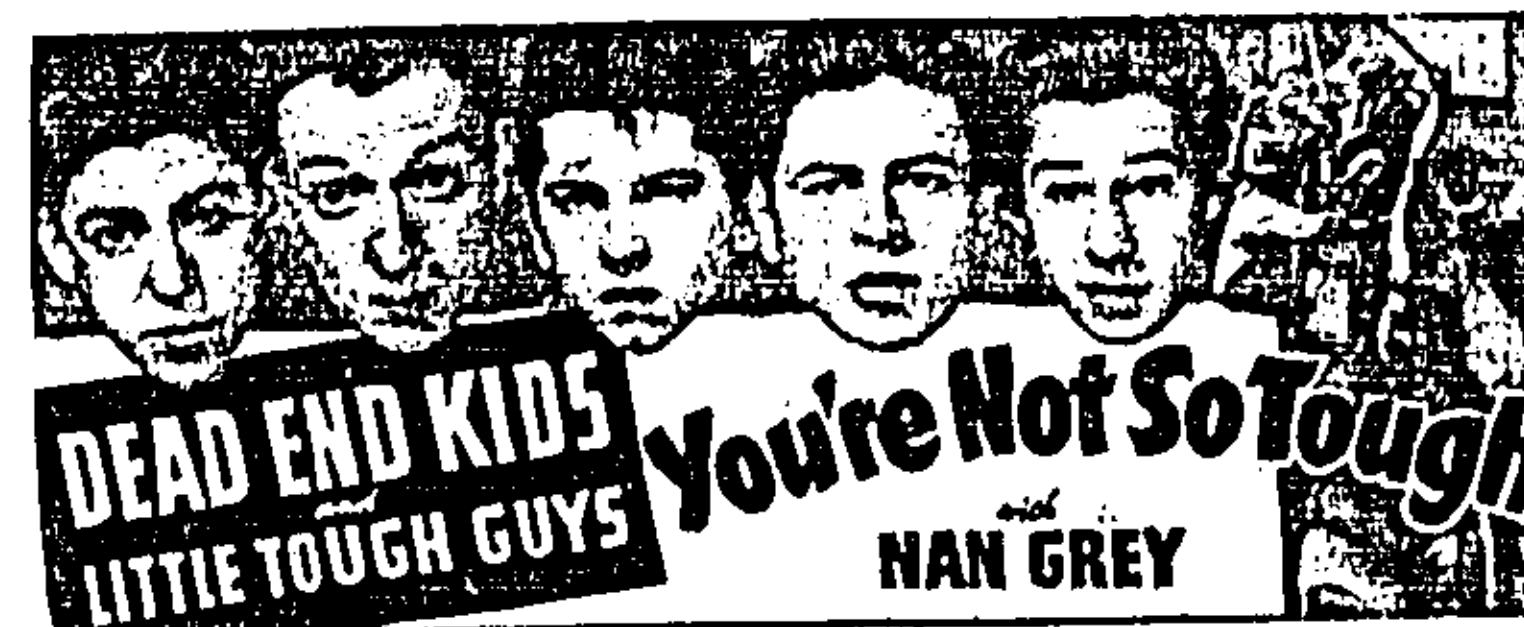
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## GERMAN DESIGNS ON CRIMEA

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respondent with the panzer divisions at Smolensk gave a vivid account of the Russians' heroic and disorganised death—especially in the "Demokritov" correspondent adds that apparently the Russians still have considerable air forces despite losses which the Germans claim they have inflicted.

**Soviet Communique**  
LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Today's Soviet communique announces fighting in the direction of Smolensk, Byelaya-Tserkov and Uman and in the Estonian sector of the front.

**Nearby Crisis**  
LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A military commentary in the "Annalist" says that the latest Russian communique suggests that the Germans are still pressing very strongly all along the Russian front at Smolensk, southwest of Leningrad, and in south Ukraine.

The German troops, which have encountered almost inflexible opposition at Korosten and Byelaya-Tserkov are spreading a smokescreen in the hope of finding a weak spot with a view to threatening Odessa. They do not seem to be getting much support from the Rumanians who are on their extreme right wing and much closer to Odessa. The Germans in the Russian line may be part of Marshal Budenny's elastic defence. But the Germans have avoided making any specific claims of territorial conquest and confine themselves to the usual indefinite claim that pursuit of the retreating foe is making rapid progress everywhere.

**Hitler Tactics**  
Hitler has never concealed the fact that the secret of his strategy is attack and again attack, never leaving the enemy any respite or time to recover their own strength but pressing ever onwards regardless of the loss until success is achieved. This policy has been pursued without variation in Poland, France, Yugoslavia, Greece and Crete. It is a variant of Napoleon's famous "de l'audace, de l'audace, de l'audace."

**Failed Against U.K.**  
It failed, however, in the Battle of Britain, which began just over a year ago and continued without let or pause for over six weeks when at last the Luftwaffe gave up the struggle after trying its utmost to break down the British resistance. In Russia it is coming up against the same indomitable spirit. After seven weeks of fighting, continuous and relentless German pressure has forced back the Russian defence line along the whole of a 2,000-mile front, but nowhere can the German claim a major victory and nowhere has the Russian resistance wavered or shown signs of weakening.

The question which naturally arises is how long will Hitler's hard pressed troops be able to continue the pressure without showing signs of failure. The limit to the power of human endurance and both sides must be near that limit.

**Odds Favour Russians**  
The odds, however, are in favour of the Russians who are fighting for freedom and in defence of their homes.

They are slowly falling back upon shortened lines of communication and are increasing their resources of men and material. The German advance must necessarily extend the strain with every mile left behind. It is now obvious that some definite result must emerge from the wide flung battle front in a matter of days rather than weeks.

**Roads Bomb Widely**  
MOSCOW, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The following is the text of a Soviet communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau at 11.30 p.m. G.M.T.:

"During August 11, our troops continued fighting the enemy in the Soliski, Smolensk, Byelaya-Tserkov and Uman directions."

"Our air force continued to inflict blows on enemy panzer troops and infantry, attacked his aircraft on aerodromes and bombed a large railway bridge at Chernovod on the Danube and ships at Constanza. The bridge was destroyed."

"On August 10, 39 enemy planes were destroyed. We lost 25."

**Nazi-Finn Raiders**  
"According to precise information now available, during the German raid on Moscow on the night of August 10, six German planes were brought down, not five as previously reported."

"The other day, between 60 and 70 German and Finnish planes attempted to carry out a mass raid on the

## Jim Mollison Delivers New Plane Type

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LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wireless).—The famous aviator Jim Mollison, now employed in the Air Transport Auxiliary, has just returned to England in a remarkable flight to French Equatorial Africa.

He had ferried a "Cunliffe Owen Flying Wing," a new unorthodox type of civil aircraft to Free French forces in Chad. This aircraft is designed to carry freight and passengers in the central section of the wings instead of in the fuselage.

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It is fully expected that after the war this new design of aircraft will have a revolutionising effect on civil aviation.

## Chungking Blitzkrieged

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Chungking had its worst aerial bombardment yesterday. During the last four days, the Japanese used 400 aircraft and dropped over 3,000 bombs.

For the first time yesterday, army planes were used.

**Kunming Attacked**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

INDO-CHINA BASE, Aug. 11 (Domei).—With the return of fine weather, Japanese Naval aircraft this afternoon again attacked Kunming, the capital of Yunnan Province, blasting munitions warehouses and a power plant in the western part of the city, the South China Fleet Command announced. Many Chinese planes flew up as if to meet the Japanese planes but fled before the Japanese onrush.

Chinese anti-aircraft guns failed to shoot actively and all Japanese planes returned to their base safely, the naval communique says.

## British Govt And Full Sanctions

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British Empire to Japan had been permitted and since October, 1940, there had been an embargo on Japan of scrap iron and steel from all British and American sources. The American Government was also carrying out a very large programme for the purchases of metals and other war materials in South America.

The deputation, however, feels that Dr Dalton's reply did not give complete assurances regarding a watertight embargo as urged and demanded by public opinion.

## Civilian Governor For Bermuda

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wireless).—His Majesty's Government have decided to advise His Majesty that in the present circumstances, it is preferable that the Governor of Bermuda should be a civilian.

In order to facilitate the change, the present Governor Lieut-General Sir Denis Bernard has placed his resignation in the hands of His Majesty, who has accepted it.

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wireless).—A campaign to educate the public in the matter of "poison gas" has been launched and will begin with an exhibition in London from August 14 to September 9.

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wireless).—The Honorary Freedom of Portsmouth is to be conferred on Mr Winston Churchill and Mr Harry Hopkins.

Murmansk area. Detachments of enemy planes were intercepted by our fighters and fierce air combats ensued. With the very first vigorous and powerful onslaught, our fliers broke up the enemy's battle formation and the centred direction of the German and Finnish planes was lost. They scattered into small groups.

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## Threat To Dakar

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clarification of their attitude for the defence of their empire. Mr Sumner Welles has expressed doubts on their determination to defend points, the possession of which or the use of which by Axis Powers would threaten American interests, pointing out that not only had Vichy consented to the Japanese seizure of bases in France, Indo-China but had offered no resistance when the German and Italian forces used the facilities of Syria to operate against the British.

"Vichy," replying, said nothing of the complicity with which they had tolerated Axis encroachment, but blamed themselves on the determination with which they had resisted the Japanese action in Indo-China as in no way detracting from the French rights.

**Words Have No Value**  
"To people capable of arguing this way words ceased to have any meaning. Whether they are really deceiving themselves does not matter very much. What is important is that Great Britain and the United States should not allow themselves to be deceived or confused."

"Vichy is not France and does not represent the French nation, but so long as it controls a great part of the French Empire and the French fleet we must be prepared for any betrayal."

"Daily Express" leader asks what will the United States do over the threat to Dakar, adding that "President Roosevelt may decide to wait for it to develop. If he does he will bear in mind the lesson Britain learned in Norway 18 months ago. According to tradition we have waited for Germany to strike first, but Germany has invaded in such a wholesale fashion that she could not be dislodged or even seriously attacked."

**French To Hold  
Chinese Back**

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governments have been hanging by little more than a thread for some time and have probably been maintained by Washington chiefly to provide the administration with an important European listening post and also in the hope that American influence would to some extent offset German pressure on Vichy.

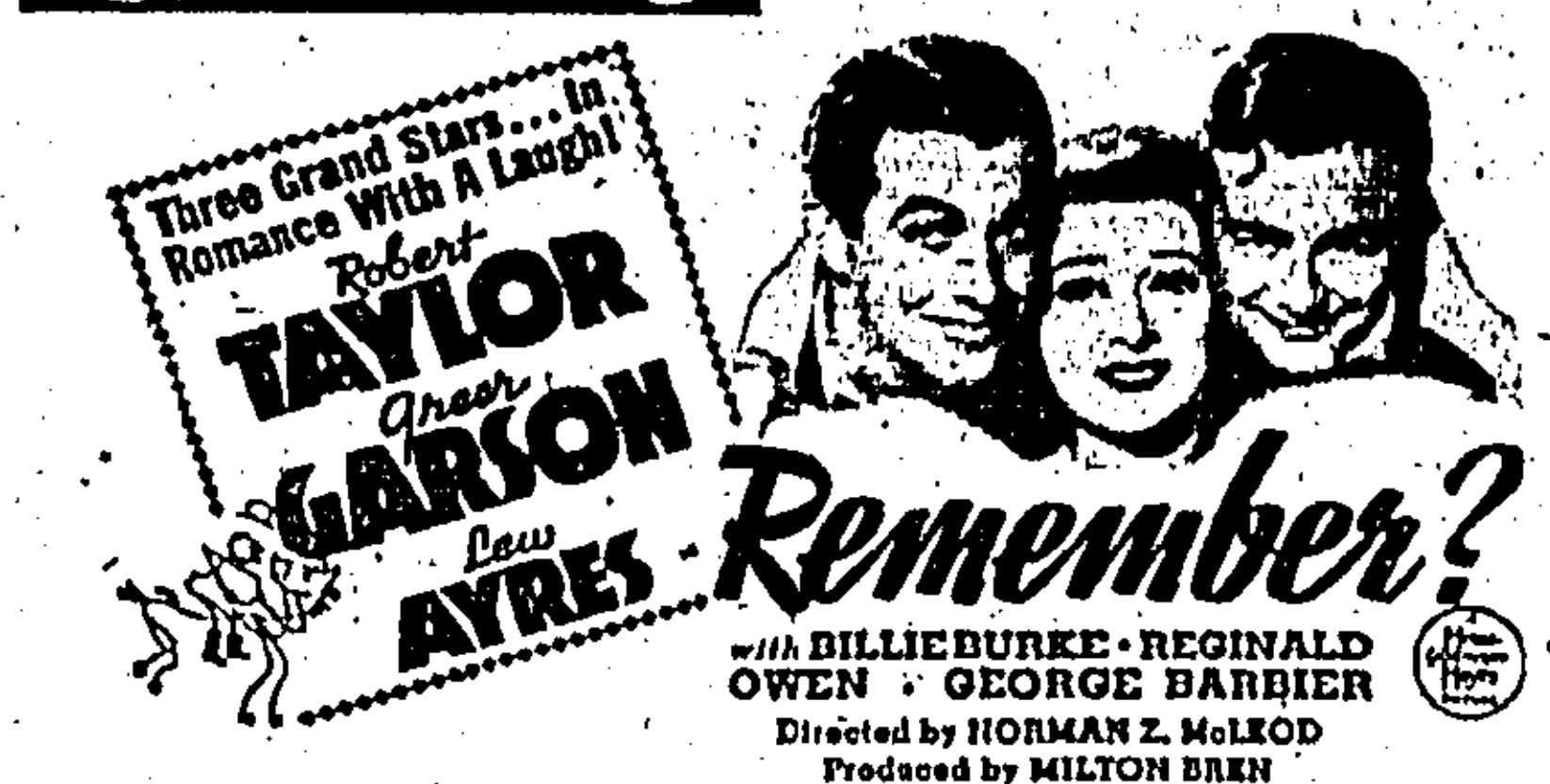
**Chungking Opinion**  
CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Mr Wang Shih-chieh, Publicity Minister, denying the report that 20,000 Chinese troops had been sent to the Shan States (Burma), declared that Thailand's attitude appeared to be firmer, probably as the result of statements by the British Foreign Secretary and the United States Secretary of State, but he believed that the situation was still uncertain unless Britain and the United States gave more adequate support to Thailand than economic measures if they hoped to check Japanese aggression and strengthen resistance on the part of Thailand.

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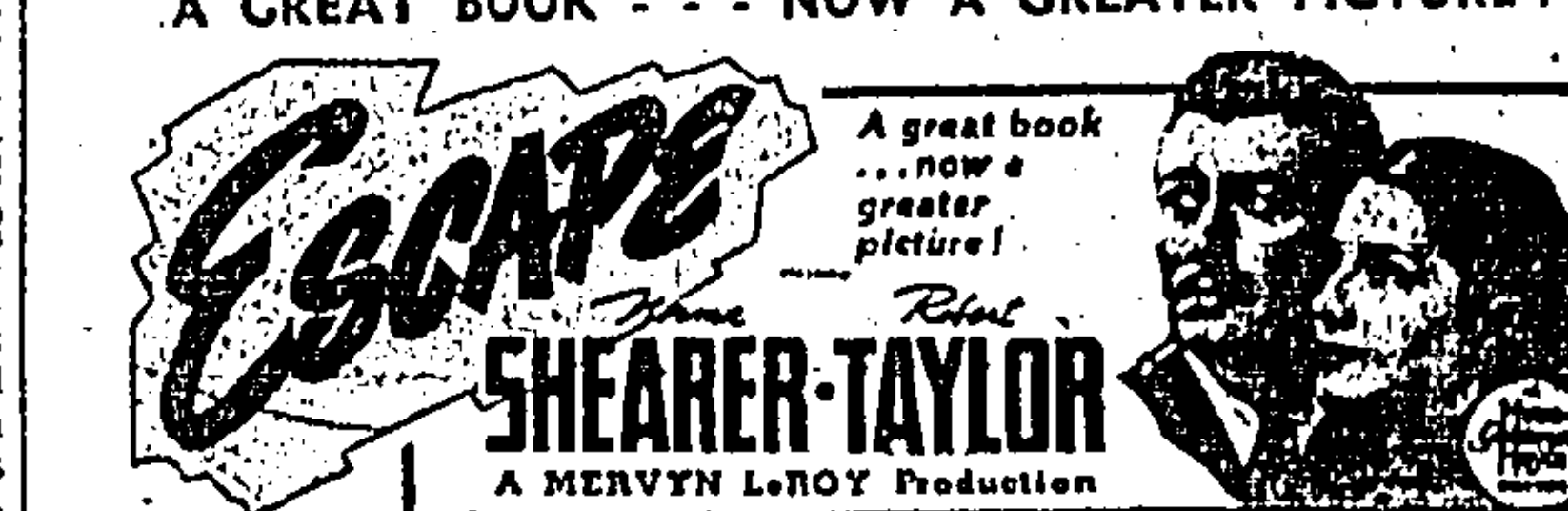
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## Vichy Ministers Continue Talks

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high, says the "Daily Telegraph," which reports day-long constant conferences between Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan, General Weygand and General Huntzinger.

It is generally thought that today's meetings will be forced to decide one way or other on German "suggestions."

Mr E. B. Wareing, writing in the "Daily Telegraph," says that what is actually on the Cabinet's agenda is the demand for "facilities" at Dakar, Algiers, Casablanca and Bizerta.

**Aiding Nazis In Desert**  
References to "shortening the German lines of communication" says Wareing, must be read in connection with the fact that Bizerta is only about 130 miles from the Italian port of Tripoli whereas the route now used for reinforcing the German and Italian armies in Libya—from Catania to Tripoli—is more than twice that distance.

Bizerta is also less accessible to British bombers than Tripoli. To cede rights of any kind in Bizerta, says Wareing, would mean opening Tunisia to the Germans and in effect extending the field of action of General Rommel's troops from Libya into French North Africa.

**Between U.S. and Nazis**  
The moment has now almost arrived when Vichy has to decide once and for all between the friendship of the United States and that of Germany," adds Wareing.

Arguing that Bizerta is the most likely point on which Vichy will yield because of the more direct American interest in the preservation of French sovereignty over Atlantic posts, Wareing asserts that from quarters close to President Roosevelt a hint has already been given that the United States might find it essential to prevent Germany using Dakar.

The cession of Casablanca would also imply a degree of Franco-German collaboration which might cause the United States to withdraw recognition of Vichy and confer it on the Free French administration.

**Internment of Dentz**  
Vichy has announced the dispatch of a protest of Great Britain against the internment of General Dentz, former High Commissioner in Syria, and other Vichy officers but no such

## Manchukuo Adopts Precautions

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nearly 300—comprising the Mukden consular district 200 and Harbin district 70, the majority of whom are missionaries. There are about a quarter of this number of Americans.

**Precautions**  
For obvious reasons Manchukuo's precautionary measures cannot be described but it is permitted to state that they include travelling restrictions and also occasional air raid practices in various cities.

As regards the freezing of assets of various countries Manchukuo follows Tokyo step by step but in this connection the restrictions are recently said to have been eased and certain Manchukuoan firms with part Anglo-American capital have been allowed to resume operations.

note was received in London on Saturday.

The Dentz incident is only a minor aspect of the renewed crisis which has descended on Vichy and made it necessary to recall General Weygand from North Africa, and Germany is determined to force Weygand to show its hand and offer "collaboration" in Africa.

The Vichy Cabinet will to-day, concludes Wareing, really be once again discussing who will win the war. Admiral Darlan is convinced that the Germans are bound to do so. General Huntzinger is believed to hold the opposition opinion. Marshal Petain is undecided and General Weygand's views are probably much the same as General Huntzinger's.

**Weygand Leaves**  
LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—General Weygand, who has been having talks with Admiral Darlan and Marshal Petain in Vichy, left for Algiers this afternoon, according to the Lyons Radio.

This afternoon he attended a meeting of the Cabinet with Marshal Petain presiding at which a report on the prospect of this season's harvest and the position regarding meat supplies was made by the Minister of Agriculture, says the radio.

"The rest of the meeting was devoted to current matters."

**Not At Meeting**  
VICHY, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—General Weygand, it is now announced, did not attend this afternoon's Cabinet meeting. He left for Algiers before it started.

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### LETTERS

**Massed Bands Concert**  
The Editor,  
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—It is rarely indeed that Hongkong has an opportunity of listening to the massed playing of so many of the British Military Bands. The forthcoming concert therefore, on the Cricket Club Ground is indeed a treat in store.

May I presume to make a couple of suggestions?

(1) That the Club grandstand be used as the bandstand. It is most suitably placed, and would greatly enhance the hearing, the ceiling and back acting as an excellent sound-board.

(2) In order to avoid annoyance and noise during rendering of items, would it not be possible to send the boys out for orders for and/or with refreshments, during the intervals between items?

MUSIC LOVER.

## Beginning Of Reuter's

### Founder's Life Filmed

Reuter's is to-day a byword wherever there are newspapers, but few would conceive of the difficulties besetting the efforts of the founder of this great international news-gathering organisation in making the nineteenth century world give acceptance to his ideas.

In the film, "This Man Reuter," previewed at the Queen's Theatre yesterday, the early struggles of Julius Reuter are well depicted. How he rose from public ridicule to establish a successful pigeon post; how this work was destroyed in a day by the growth of the telegraph; how this setback was overcome by the brainwave that came to him of relaying news over the wires for the use of subscribing newspapers, and how news of Abraham Lincoln's assassination obtained hours ahead of competitors caused a stock market panic, was generally discredited and led to questions in Parliament, and how subsequent events proved Reuter's integrity—all this is woven into an absorbing story that unfolds like a romance.

Edward G. Robinson, whom Warner Brothers are betting on to become Paul Muni's successor as a character actor—now that Muni has joined another studio—proves equal to the task. In some ways, he even excels his fine performance as Dr. Ehrlich in "The Magic Bullet."

The film is well directed and edited, photography and other technical requirements being excellent. It will be shown at the Queen's and Alhambra this week.—G.

## Major Baseball

## Cardinals And Dodgers Keep Apace

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (UP).—St. Louis Cardinals and Brooklyn Dodgers, leaders in the National League and rivals for this year's pennant, are keeping pace with each other, both winning their games today.

In the American League, New York Yankees, established leaders, were well and truly trounced by Boston Red Sox.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

New York Yankees 7, Boston Red Sox 1.  
Brooklyn Dodgers 15, St. Louis Cardinals 5.  
Chicago Cubs 5, Pittsburgh Pirates 0.  
St. Louis Cardinals 5, New York Yankees 1.  
Philadelphia Phillies 6, Boston Red Sox 1.  
Cincinnati Reds 9, St. Louis Cardinals 3.  
Boston Red Sox 9, New York Yankees 3.  
Pittsburgh Pirates 1, Chicago Cubs 0.

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

Boston Red Sox 9, New York Yankees 3.  
New York Yankees 7, Boston Red Sox 1.  
St. Louis Cardinals 5, New York Yankees 1.  
Philadelphia Phillies 6, Boston Red Sox 1.  
Cincinnati Reds 9, St. Louis Cardinals 3.  
Boston Red Sox 9, New York Yankees 3.  
Pittsburgh Pirates 1, Chicago Cubs 0.

The Cleveland-Detroit game was postponed on account of rain, and the Washington-Philadelphia game will be played at a later date.

## DONATIONS TO FUNDS From Gala Show

Yesterday's donations to the Bomber Fund included a cheque for \$1,000 from the King's Theatre and Universal Pictures Corporation of China, representing the entire proceeds of the gala performance of "Forty Thousand Horsesmen," the Chinese Staff of Members of the Fund has now reached the total of \$2,437,620.11. The following is the latest list:

Prison Officers' Club (tenth donation) \$ 50  
Rockledge Lairs (fourteenth donation) 21  
Entire Proceeds of Gala Performance of "Forty Thousand Horsesmen," The King's Theatre and Universal Pictures Corporation of China 1,000  
The following monthly donations to the Bomber Fund were also received:  
Mr. and Mrs. S. Mason 425  
Mr. D. McCallum 15  
Mr. L. A. Sterling 60  
The following is a list of subscriptions received to date for credit of the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch:

Previously acknowledged, £115 and £731.14.6d.  
A. V. Hart Davis (monthly), \$10;  
Miss Grace Ezra (monthly), \$10;  
The Hongkong Students Relief Association, \$150;  
The Chinese Staff of Members of the Fund, June, \$10;  
L. E. N. Ryan (monthly), \$100;  
For children of bombed areas—Mrs. Min. Hinnick, \$10; Mrs. E. Cook, \$10; Mrs. E. Raymond, \$10; Mrs. D. Almond, \$10; Mrs. A. Raymond, \$10; Mrs. N. L. Smith, \$10;  
"Result of a Poker Game," per Mrs. H. P. Phillips, \$11;  
Quarry Day Working Party, \$10.50.  
Total, \$21,050.17 and £115.

**FOOD KITCHENS**  
The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Food Kitchens Appeal Fund:  
W. H. L. VINCENT DE PAUL  
The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in memory of the late Mr. A. V. Havers:  
Mr. and Mrs. A. Baker, \$10.  
Donations for the following Organisations await collection at the office of the S. C. M. Post: Lord Mayor's Fund for the Relief of Air Victims; B.W.O.F.; Emergency Refugee Council; New Territories Relief Association; B.F.H.D.C.; St. Vincent de Paul.

## British Prisoners of War Fund

### Massed Band Concert

All persons attending are asked to purchase a programme with badge sold on the Ground and, in advance, by Lady Programme Sellers.

Tables seating from 4 to 10 may be reserved and paid for in advance at \$1.00 per person on application to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. I. E. Roberts of Messrs. Thomson & Co., Hongkong Bank Building. There will also be a number of seats and a limited number of tables unreserved.

Refreshments will be obtainable throughout the Concert in exchange for coupons of \$1.00 for all Alcoholic drinks and 50 cents for all non-alcoholic. These coupons may be purchased on the Ground, or in advance from the Lady Programme Sellers and from the Hon. Treasurer.

Due to the generosity of many donors almost the entire proceeds of all refreshments will go to the Fund.

**Hongkong Cricket Club Ground**  
**SATURDAY 23rd AUGUST 1941.**

## Mobilisation Council Of Japan In Action

### Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, August 11 (Domei).—The 17th session of the National General Mobilisation Council was held at the Premier's official residence at 2 p.m. and approved four draft Imperial Ordinances, respectively, revising the price control law order, the marine transport control ordinance, stock prices and temporary measures for appraising the stocks held by business corporations.

Present at the meeting were Lieutenant-General Teichi Suzuki, President of the Planning Board, the Finance Minister, Mr. Matsutane Ogura, the Commerce and Industry Minister, Vice-Admiral Masazo Sakonji, and the Communications Minister, Mr. Shozo Murata, who are all ex officio Vice-Presidents of the Mobilisation Council.

Vice-Admiral Sakonji, in a statement to the Press, said that the revised regulations were designed to replace charges for business contracts, repair charges, labour charges, etc. which have hitherto been exempted from control on the list of control objects together with commodity prices, transport rates, storage charges, insurance rates, rentals, and working charges.

**Needed Control**  
Exempt from control, these rates recently continued to rise and seriously prejudiced that policy of controlling prices and wages, thus necessitating their control. Repair charges and contracts will be stopped at certain levels while those which will not be properly stopped will be regulated by the system of public agreement.

Another point in the revised regulations is the change of the provision in the order of stopping prices at the levels of September 10, 1939, that the order remains in force for one year to make the order effective "for the time being." This modification is designed to extend the system of fixing official prices to all important commodities so as to reassure the nation of the Government's low price policy.

The measure is also designed to maintain marine transport charges at low levels. The Minister of Communications is authorised to fix the levels of charges or appoint unions or other agencies to decide upon these charges.

## Polish Army To Fight With Soviets

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—As a preliminary to the formation in Russia of a Polish Army equipped with the latest American material, the Soviet Government have accepted a Military Mission headed by General Szyzko Bohusz, who is empowered to conclude a Polish-Soviet military agreement.

General Sikorski, the Polish Premier, disclosed this at a Polish military rally in Scotland when he declared that the Polish-Soviet agreement has brushed aside all sentimental considerations. The Polish nation took a decidedly anti-German stand in September, 1939 in a life and death fight and it will follow this road to the end. This attitude is dictated not only by the interests but by the united British camp of liberty and freedom.

## CHARITY REPAID BY THEFT

Two European Police officers took pity on a poor boy and engaged him as an odd-job boy and car-cleaner but he robbed them of property valued at \$537, Mr. C. T. Lowry, was told at Central Magistracy this morning.

Hung Wai-kwong, 18, unemployed, was sentenced to four months' hard labour for theft of the articles belonging to Inspector S. C. Saunders and Sgt. G. F. Youe.

## China Relief Funds Will Benefit

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Aug. 11 (UP).—It is estimated that over 100,000 persons paid admission to the Chinatown Festival which was held over last week-end for the benefit of the China Relief Funds.

Seven celebrities attending the final night included Bob Hope, Marlene Dietrich and Edward G. Robinson. Victor MacLagan's motor cycle corps headed the colourful Chinatown parade.

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7.30 Betty Hovet at the Piano.  
7.30 Portuguese Programme.  
8.00 London Relay—The News.  
8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post.  
Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.  
9.30 Programme Summary.  
9.32 Primo Scala's Accordion Band and Dick Todd (Vocal).  
9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.  
9.02 Studio—"A Marriage Has Been Arranged."  
A One-net Play by Alfred Sutro, produced by Leonard Starbuck.  
9.25 The New Symphony Orchestra.  
9.45-10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only).  
9.45 Liszt—Ballade in B Minor, Louis Kentner (Piano).  
10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.  
10.15 BBC—"The Land We Defend" "The Western Highlands and Islands."  
10.48 Compositions of Eric Coates.

## Purchase Of Egyptian Cotton

CAIRO, Aug. 12 (Reuter).—An Anglo-Egyptian agreement whereby the British and Egyptian Governments will each purchase half of Egypt's entire cotton crop next season was signed yesterday afternoon.

Prices will be the same as last year when Britain purchased nearly the whole crop.

Submitting the agreement to Parliament last night, the Premier disclosed that last year Britain bought 7,800,000 bales, representing three-quarters of the crop at a cost of approximately £25,000,000. Roughly half of this quantity had been exported and the remainder stored in the country.

**No Increase In Price**  
Explaining why there is no increase in price under the new agreement, the Premier emphasised the export difficulties and also pointed out that Britain could obtain as much cotton as she required from the United States under the Lend Lease Act.

Under the agreement, Britain will return to the growers 50 per cent. of any profits arising from the purchase while the Egypt Government will return the whole of such profits. Egypt will raise a loan to finance her share.

Britain has offered to purchase 10,700,000 ardebs or about half the cotton seed crop. The Egyptian Government will make up the price to the growers. Last year Britain bought the whole cotton seed crop. Simultaneously with the agreement, the Government introduced a Bill reducing next season's cotton acreage by approximately 25 per cent.

## Little Norway In Gt Britain

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wire-less).—Prince Olaf to-day visited a hospital opened by the Norwegian Government about a year ago. Staffed by Norwegian doctors and nurses, the hospital contains 45 beds of which 41 are occupied. Most of the patients are from the Norwegian merchant navy but there are some men who were wounded in the Lofoten raid.

All the nine nurses on the staff have made their escape from Norway since the German occupation. Two of them had especially exciting adventures as the fishing boat in which they sailed had put back into port for repairs.

While these were being effected, a close watch was kept for the Nazis, but the boat was able to set forth again and arrived at the Shetlands after a rough passage lasting about 30 hours.

One of the doctors escaped to England dressed as a fisherman about three months ago.

## Bunches Of Keys Found By Police

Police report that they have in their possession one bunch of Yale lock keys in a leather key wallet as well as a bunch of similar type keys on a key ring.

It is believed they were lost in Statue Square or near the car park. Application for them should be made at the Central Police Station.

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The Public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to inclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—Yunnan, Szechuan, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulungsu), Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 5th August. ....Aug. 13.  
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 19th August. ....Aug. 26.

### OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Wednesday, Aug. 13  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

**K.P.O.**  
Reg. ....Aug. 13, 5 p.m.  
Ord. ....Aug. 13, 5.30 p.m.  
**G.P.O.**  
Reg. ....Aug. 13, 5 p.m.  
Ord. ....Aug. 13, 5 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 15  
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

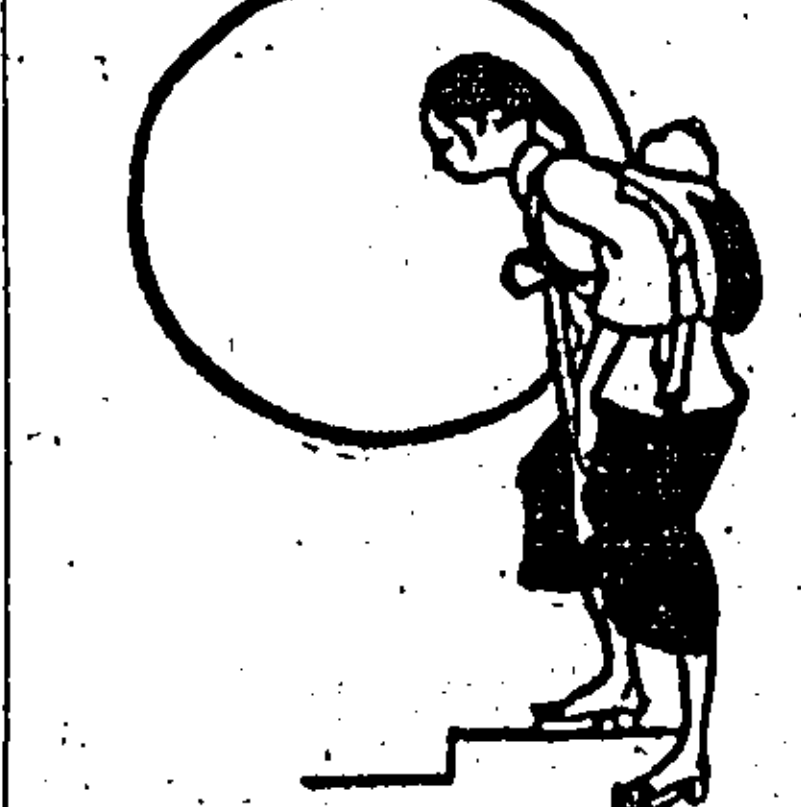
**K.P.O. & G.P.O.**  
Reg. ....Aug. 15, 4 p.m.  
Ord. ....Aug. 15, 4.30 p.m.  
Monday, Aug. 18

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

**K.P.O. & G.P.O.**  
Reg. ....Aug. 18, 4 p.m.  
Ord. ....Aug. 18, 4.30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Aug. 26

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

**K.P.O.**  
Reg. ....Aug. 26, 5 p.m.  
Ord. ....Aug. 26, 5.30 p.m.  
**G.P.O.**  
Reg. ....Aug. 26, 5 p.m.  
Ord. ....Aug. 26, 7 p.m.

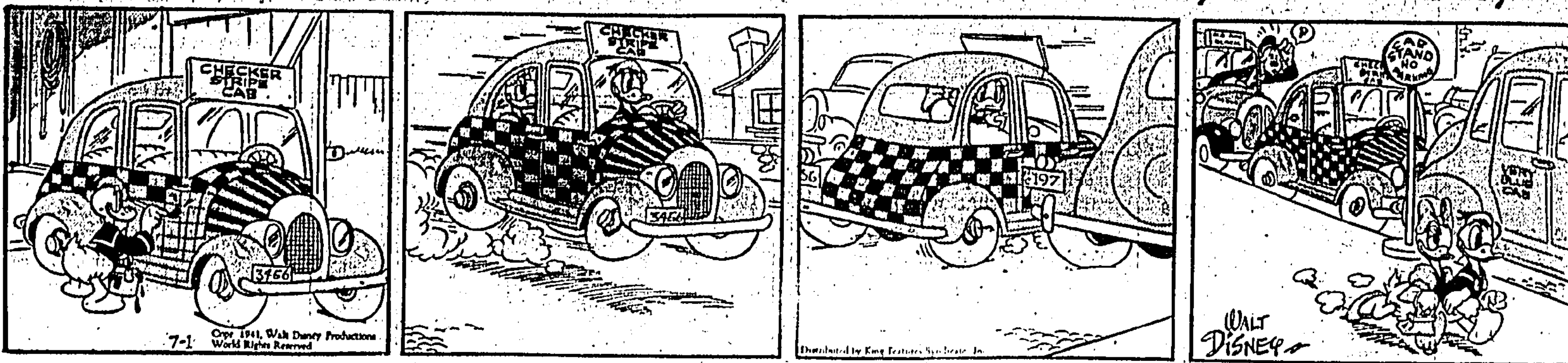


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## CONTRACT BRIDGE

How to Play  
AND  
How to Win  
By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

### Placing The Lead

IN countless hands, the entire point of play is to keep one defender off the lead. Needless to say, this is not always possible, but the least a declarer should do is to make a valiant effort. Note to-day's deal.

Rubber bridge.  
Both sides vulnerable.  
South dealer.

♠ 853  
♥ Q542  
♦ 43  
♣ A43

N  
E  
S  
W

♠ 734  
♥ 986  
♦ 1095  
♣ 10862

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass  
2NT Pass 3♥ Pass  
3♥ Pass

West's double was somewhat aggressive in that he had nothing in the trump suit, but, with the A-Q of spades and the K-Q of diamonds over South, who had bid notrump at one point, West felt that declarer would have his work cut out for him. He was right, but this particular declarer rose to the occasion.

West, in selecting his opening lead, could find nothing safer than a trump. A spade lead was not to be considered; a diamond lead risked the sacrifice of an honour; and finally, a club lead was dangerous because it might run up against the A-10 in dummy and the king in declarer's hand, or some such combination that would cost West his club stopper.

The opening trump lead was ducked in dummy, since declarer might urgently need dummy's queen for the later ruff of a diamond. Declarer greatly would have preferred lowing a diamond from dummy so as to be able to pass the trick into West, but he could not afford to play the heart queen or to take out the club ace for that

purpose. Hence he laid down the diamond ace from his own hand and followed it up with the diamond jack. It was this selection of the jack rather than a low diamond that led to the fulfilment of the contract. Most players in situations of this type automatically play a low card because they are merely clearing the suit preparatory to ruffing; they fail to consider that it may be possible to force the lead upon one defender rather than the other. Thus in this case it South had led a low diamond after the ace, East would have won and of course returned a high spade, whereupon declarer promptly would have lost three spade tricks.

With West on lead with the diamond queen, no attack could be made upon declarer's spade king. For want of a better play, West returned his remaining trump. Declarer won in his own hand, ruffed a diamond with the club king, and ruffed his last diamond with the heart queen. Now the club ace was cashed and a low club was led, declarer discarding a spade. West, back on lead, had to concede South's spade king and thus the contract was fulfilled.

If West had unblocked his high clubs and thus avoided the throw-in play in clubs, the contract would have been defeated, but this required considerable foresight and, moreover, entailed the risk that West would be jettisoning his side's only club trick.

To-morrow's Hand  
North dealer.  
North-South vulnerable; 60 part-score.

♠ 75...  
♥ QK52  
♦ AKQ1097  
♣ 3

N  
E  
S  
W

♠ 8642  
♥ 62  
♦ 98764  
♣ 2

♠ Q107  
♥ Q987  
♦ K6  
♣ K5

♠ AKQ3  
♥ A104  
♦ J5  
♣ A-Q-10

How should this hand be bid?

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Open space in wood
- Appointment (col.)
- Transparent silicate
- Cause of anything
- Black
- In bed
- Worship
- Best
- Disastrously
- Native Scottish
- Hearts
- Quiet
- Supporting bone
- Porcelain factories
- Product of combustion
- Former coins of Venice
- Western state
- Unorderly feathering
- Years of life
- Biblical word
- Place of business
- Carriers drawn by traction
- Measure
- Small duck
- Pertaining to loose
- Metallurgical element
- Keep away from
- Male bee
- Baton
- Modern harpsichord

DOWN

- Graduate (col.)
- Shades
- Disturbance
- Put into action
- Most terrible
- Deserted wreck
- Government in Finland
- Come in
- Excursion
- Alpine gorge
- Alpine goat
- Yield
- Fruit drinks
- Acronym
- Assured knowledge
- Analysis grammar
- Species of willow
- Orlock
- Look hardy
- Impudently snarling
- Small buildings
- Without walls
- Medium-sized tree
- Hide-drum
- Crested ceilings
- Place for storing
- Clubs
- Fundamental part
- Adjust
- Careless clergyman
- Dish alight
- Wicker
- Crustacean
- Boat earth
- Indus river
- Waxen cloth
- Measure
- Black mountain

## THREAT TO DAKAR

### Nazi Infiltration To Be Expected

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The looming threat to Dakar occupies a prominent place in London Press comment to-day.

"The Times" leader says that "There seems no limit to the pervaporation and distortion of facts to which Vichy will not descend in pursuit of the policy of collaboration with Hitlerite Germany."

"A thick veil is held over what is going on in French north and Northwest Africa, but Great Britain and the United States must be prepared at any time to find themselves confronted with German infiltration on the Syrian model, involving the use of Dakar and other bases against British and American shipping in the south Atlantic."

"The hasty exit of the Germans and Italians as soon as the Allied forces had crossed the Syrian border was made the basis of disingenuous protests by Vichy, who calmly ignoring all that had gone before argued that since the Germans and Italians had already gone there was no longer any reason for the British to do anything about it."

"American interests. The same attitude stamps their reply to the American demand for clarification of their attitude for the defence of their empire. Mr. Sumner Welles has expressed doubts on their possession of which or the use of which by Axis Powers would threaten American interests, pointing out that not only had Vichy consented to the Japanese seizure of bases in French Indo-China but had offered resistance when the German and Italian forces used the facilities of Syria to operate against the British."

"Vichy, replying, said nothing of the complicity with which they had tolerated Axis encroachment but plumed themselves on the determination with which they had resisted the Japanese invasion. Thus, they describe as aggression against the British the Japanese action in Indo-China as in no way detracting from the French rights."

### Words Have No Value

"To people capable of arguing this way words ceased to have any meaning. Whether they are really deceiving themselves does not matter very much. What is important is that Great Britain and the United States should not allow themselves to be deceived or confused."

"Vichy is not France and does not represent the French nation, but so long as it controls a great part of the French Empire and the French fleet we must be prepared for any betrayal."

A "Daily Express" leader asks what the United States do over the threat to Dakar, adding that "President Roosevelt may decide to wait for it to develop. If he does he will be in mind the lesson Britain learned in Norway 10 months ago. According to tradition we have waited for Germany to strike first, but Germany has invaded in such a wholesale fashion that she could not be dislodged or even seriously attacked."

## CHINESE DOLLAR IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The publicity Minister Mr. Wang Shi-chieh, at a press conference this afternoon, stated that the Government were determined to stabilise the Chinese dollar in the Shanghai market.

He expressed confidence that the Chinese Currency Stabilisation Board would be able to carry out the Government's decision and added that the necessary funds for the purpose were already handed to the Board. Referring to freezing by Britain and the United States, Mr. Wang revealed that four Chinese Government banks had received licences from Britain and the United States to supply foreign exchange to Chinese firms and merchants handling legitimate trade.

**Overseas Remittances**  
The Government are negotiating with the British and United States authorities designating the Central Bank to handle overseas Chinese remittances and prevent them from falling into the hands of the Japanese and Chinese "puppets."

The Government have decided to enlarge the Foreign Exchange Committee under the Ministry of Finance which is empowered to handle all issues connected with freezing. The decision of the Committee will be executed through the Central Bank.

### BIG DECISIONS MAY BE MADE

## Vichy Ministers Continue Talks

VICHY, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Discussions between Vichy Ministers which have followed closely upon each other since Saturday were continued this morning, states the Vichy news agency.

They included an interview to-day between General Huntziger, Minister of War, and General Weygand, Marshal Petain's Delegate-General in North Africa. Other ministerial talks are going on at the same time.

The Vichy agency says: "These discussions have given the impression of wide-scale consultation, of which the Cabinet Council expected this afternoon would appear to be the crowning point. They have been conducted in an atmosphere of complete calm, presaging no crisis. No sign of nervousness has been perceptible."

In support of this, the agency mentions the attendance of Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan and other ministers at theatrical and operatic performances.

**No Personalities**  
Well-informed circles are reported as stating the view that any announcement of an important decision concerning foreign policy in the immediate future is out of the question, says the agency.

The agency also says: "Contrary to certain rumours in the Paris press, there would appear to have been no personal questions involved, the talks being directed to an effective understanding between all members of the Government who gave their views on many problems approached."

**Issue Being Forced**  
LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The political tension in Vichy remains high, says the "Daily Telegraph," which reports day-long constant conferences between Marshal Petain, Admiral Darlan, General Weygand and General Huntziger.

It is generally thought that today's meetings will be forced to decide one way or other on German suggestions. Mr. E. B. Wareing, writing in the "Daily Telegraph," says that what is actually on the Cabinet's agenda is the demand for "facilities" at Dakar, Algiers, Casablanca and Bizerta.

### Aiding Nazis In Desert

References to "shortening" the German lines of communication" says Wareing, must be read in connection with the fact that Bizerta is only 30 miles from the Italian port of Tripoli whereas the route now used for reinforcing the German and Italian armies in Libya—from Catania to Tripoli—is more than twice that distance.

Bizerta is also less accessible to British bombers than Tripoli. To cede rights of any kind in opening Tunisia to the Germans and in effect extending the field of action of General Rommel's troops from Libya into French North Africa.

### Between U.S. and Nazis

"The moment has now almost arrived when Vichy has to decide once and for all between the friendship of the United States and that of Germany," adds Wareing. Arguing that Bizerta is the most likely point on which Vichy will yield because of the more direct American interest in the preservation of French sovereignty over Atlantic ports, Wareing asserts that from

## Sinkiang Govt And Nazi-Russo War

PESHAWAR, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—There has been a considerable improvement in the attitude of the Sinkiang Government towards British subjects following the Russo-German war, according to reports received here from Kashgar.

British and Afghan subjects who were arranging to leave the country have therefore, it is stated, decided to remain.

## British Govt. And Full Sanctions Against Japan

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Central News). — Dr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, to-day received a deputation from the China Campaign Committee which urged the imposition of a watertight economic embargo on Japan in view of dangerous loopholes in the measures recently announced, complete abandonment of appeasement, adoption of a stronger policy and extension of aid to China.

Dr. Dalton referred to Mr. Anthony Eden's recent statements in Parliament regarding the Far East and also measures for freezing Japanese assets.

He stated that during the last few years export of oil from territories under British or from British-controlled companies represented only about three per cent. of the total amount of oil imported by Japan and even these had been progressively reduced and no further shipments were contemplated. No oil was exported to Japan from British-owned oilfields in the Middle East in 1941.

Oil production in the Netherlands East Indies, Dr. Dalton said, was in the hands of the Standard Vacuum (American) and the Royal Dutch Shell group in which there was sub-

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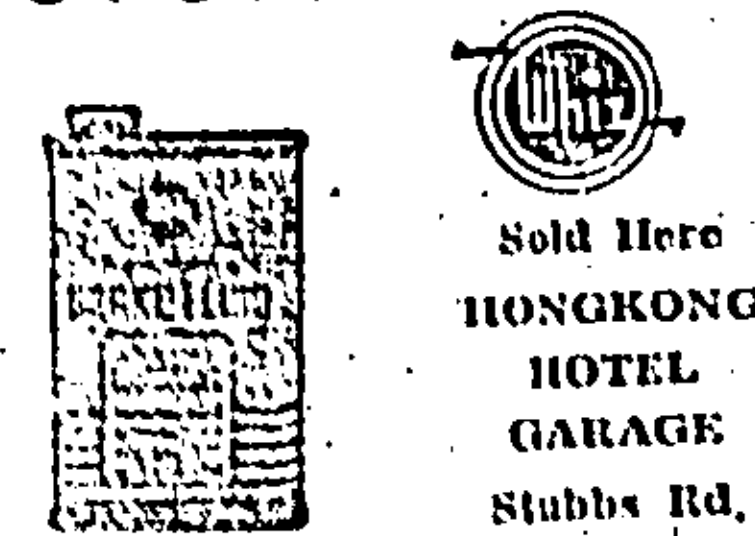
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### CUNNING MANOEUVRE

THE war in China goes on and on alongside the new developments, which are principally the occupation of French Indo-China and the threat to Russia—at the moment little more than an allegation. There is reason to think that the Japanese army of occupation in Indo-China will not seriously deplete Japan's strength in China and that this bold move which has been accomplished without a blow will not cost her dearly on the war fronts from which she has squeezed the few divisions dispatched to the south.

This force can be regarded as nothing more than a symbol of Japanese might for 50,000 troops would not get very far in the famous southward expansion. It is probably the inadequacy of the force that has toned down American and British reaction from an open break to a more or less friendly application of sanctions.

The Japanese are showing themselves remarkably cunning in this affair and success has already rewarded them in the tacit admission by the democracies that their coup is a fait accompli and nothing will be done about it provided that it is not carried further. The scare raised over Thailand serves the Japanese purpose too; it is a scare that may develop into a fire alarm for all of the South Pacific, but while it is kept smouldering it occupies the attention of the democracies in trying to stifle it and thus relegates to a secondary position the subjugation of Indo-China. In the meantime the Japanese can go ahead making an effective force of their symbolic southward expansion army, building a naval base from the fine facilities in Camranh Bay and accustoming the ambitious eyes of their aviators to the new star that has swum into their ken.

Rather unhappily for the Chinese they do not benefit as yet from the diversion of Japanese military forces to the north (the Manchukuoan border) and

THE long silence at Doorn was rarely broken in the post-war years. Of the countless human tragedies caused by the world war few can have awakened a smaller sympathetic response than that which befell the German Emperor.

William II did not want the war. In his own justification he has protested in the bitterness of his heart that he did not cause the war. But the almost universal belief in those terrible years that he was its author does not explain why the most glittering and powerful monarch of modern

The ex-Kaiser, Wilhelm II, died in June at Doorn, where he had been in exile for 23 years. In this picture, he is shown at right conferring with the late Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg in 1917.



Russia was mobilising her army of a million along the frontier fell like a thunderbolt. The end had come. "If we are to bleed to death," was all he could say, "England shall at all events lose India." After all the fine martial phrases he had bestowed upon his army and directed against other nations, he entered upon war a desperate man.

"Let the politicians," he commanded, "hold their tongues in war-time until the strategists permit them to speak." Almost as soon as the words were out of his mouth he had become the victim and slave of his own reckless axiom.

He never risked his life. He remained aloof from the fighting fronts. In his public speeches he was full of brag-docio.

# The Emperor Who Ran Away

*By A. J. Cummings*

times was left after his fall in an abyss of silent derision.

It was because he ran away that his figure dwindled into utter insignificance. From the moment it was known that with the collapse of German resistance he had stolen across the frontier into Holland his people ceased to have any further use for a man whose courage seemed to end in words.

He hated and feared England. Most of all he hated and feared his uncle, King Edward VII. Edward returned the compliment by scarcely troubling to conceal his contempt for Germany's knight in shining armour.

This is the kind of marginal note he wrote on documents dealing with the English King and English policy:

"Lies! The dog is lying! England! Uncle! a most charming fellow, this King Edward VII! Ineffable cheek! Pharisee! Rot! Twaddle! Bunkum! Hurrah, we've got the British scoundrels out this time!"

WHENEVER he opened his mouth about foreign affairs he managed to make mischief in some part of the world. He was boastful, vainglorious, self-assertive, obstinate. But his obstinacy was that of a weak man. In a crisis, or confronted with a strong personality, he sheltered himself behind words of boorish abuse.

There is no doubt something in the view of Emil Ludwig, one of his historians, that his uncontrolled arrogance developed from a thwarted childhood. He was born with a withered left arm. Driven back upon himself by the necessity of hiding his infirmity and deprived in particular of the sympathy and good will of a mother who lavished her affections upon her younger children, his intolerable

the south (Indo-China)—in fact, from the latter they may expect war new offensives against the Burma Road. The Japanese have established a large area between their permanent bases in China and the Chinese strongholds. By continuous thrusts by small well-armed veterans the invader keeps dispersing the defending forces and retains the initiative despite the disparity in numbers between the forces. Until the Chinese get some heavy artillery and planes they will continue to be kept at bay. He was not averse from common all sectors by comparatively small Japanese garrisons while the armies of the New Order in Asia simultaneously press the offensive elsewhere.

self-conceit became in part a form of self-defence.

He liked to think of himself as the embodiment of aesthetic culture in Europe. But his culture was spurious and his knowledge shallow.

He continued his reign as he began it, wrapped up in his own grandeur and in his conception of the divinity of kingship. His first act as Emperor was to appeal not to the people but to the Army. "I and the Army," he declared, "we were born for each other."

He got rid of Bismarck, who for more than thirty years had been the dominant power in Germany, and he made a sad mess of Bismarck's policy. Bismarck had two simple objects—the isolation of France and the consolidation of the German Empire. To this end he aimed at avoiding a risk of collision between Austria and Russia.

He made it a rule that Germany should not be on bad terms with Russia and Great Britain at the same time and that accordingly British sea-power should never be challenged. Bismarck had also encouraged France to gratify her ambition for colonial expansion in order to divert her energy from Europe.

THE Kaiser had two main obsessions. One was to build a navy to match the British Navy—Churchill infuriated him by calling it a luxury navy—and the other was concerned with the Yellow Peril in the Far East, which he painted in colours almost as lurid as those used until very recently by Hitler about Soviet Russia. Nearly all his personal diplomatic excursions either fell flat or ended disastrously.

It was beyond question his neurotic personal intrusions into the delicate machinery of European politics, coupled with his resolve to create an unconquerable fleet, which brought the French and British close together and produced the fateful military conversations between the two Governments.

An irresistible impulse was given to the war machine and he followed as night follows the day. The Kaiser had chiefly himself to blame for the fact that world opinion fastened the guilt on himself and that he became the symbol of all the cruelties and injustices and blundering stupidities which culminated in the greatest crime humanity ever committed against itself.

The irony of it is that the Emperor, who had no stomach for a stand-up fight, was not averse from common all sectors by comparatively small Japanese garrisons while the armies of the New Order in Asia simultaneously press the offensive elsewhere.

destiny and the destiny of his Empire to the final test, was something for which he had never bargained. It is perhaps true to say that, in spite of all his blustering, buccaneering ejaculations, there was no ruler who dreaded war on the grand scale as much as William II dreaded it.

WHEN the news was brought to him of the assassination of the Archduke and his wife at Sarajevo he was conducting the annual regatta in Kiel week and enjoying himself immensely.

A motor-boat approached his yacht. The Emperor signalled that he was not to be disturbed. But the officer in the boat daringly persisted. Waving on a high a dispatch, he thrust it into a cigarette-case and hurled it on board. A sailor picked it up and presented it to his sovereign.

When the Kaiser read the dispatch he was furious. Not a word of the Archduke's name. He cared little for the Archduke; he cared little for anyone. He liked to wallow in a wishy-washy sentimentality but seemed incapable of a deep sincere human emotion, even for his wife, who filled him only with a deadly ennui.

HE was furious because the murder of the Archduke was an affront and a danger to the royal caste. He wanted Serbia to be taught a lesson.

But he neither expected nor desired war. The tidings that the Emperor who ran away.

refused to read adverse reports of the political or military situation. He disliked to have about him men ready to tell him the truth.

IT must have been a terrible moment of illumination when he was told brusquely by General Groner that the Army was no longer behind him and would march quietly home only under its own generals.

He pondered but rejected a hero's death.

The faithful Hindenburg's demand that he should abdicate and depart for Holland "without delay" left him lifeless with indecision. "I never will," he cried. "It would be like a captain deserting a sinking ship." But he went. "Well, if it must be so... but not before to-morrow morning."

And so in the early dawn the man who had made a thousand fiery speeches—the last proud representative of the Hohenzollerns, the great romantic—drove away for ever from the land of his bleak triumphs and final humiliation.

Not a courtier, not a friend, begged him to stay.

Years afterwards Germany passed once more into servitude under another Kaiser. But the new Kaiser is a man of the people.

There were those who thought the end of a free republic might mean the recall of William to Potsdam. Hitler at least knew better than that. He knew that Germany would never call back the Emperor who ran away.

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# Futile Dive-Bombing By Stukas at Tobruk

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

CAIRO, Aug. 11.—"The situation at Tobruk has achieved the paradox of being at once extremely lively and entirely stable," declared an English Captain who has just returned from there with others of Tobruk's garrison for a spell of leave.

"Our Axis pals seem slow in learning from our mistakes, for they still persist in Stuka dive-bombing which is very wasteful as regards bombs which rarely do anything but bury themselves in the sand.

"I have experienced hundreds of Stuka raids and their effect is really negligible although the enemy seem to think that our nerves are shaken by them."

The Captain said that his leave ship was heavily bombed as she left Tobruk harbour but was not hit.

The best reply to Axis propaganda that Tobruk is besieged is the presence here of troops on leave from Tobruk who had no difficulty in getting out and anticipate returning to duty at Tobruk shortly with equal facility. Tobruk in fact is being serviced and maintained perhaps more copiously than other front-line positions because it is possible to send larger consignments at one time by sea than by land.

Troops here with brown toughened appearance of Tobruk habitues receive preferential service in restaurants. As one proprietor said, "The gentlemen of Tobruk always come first in my establishment."

**Killed To A Man**  
CAIRO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A British communiqué to-day states that during Saturday night Italian troops delivered an attack against one of our posts in the outer defences of Tobruk.

The attackers were allowed to approach to within 300 yards when they were killed almost to a man by heavy defensive fire from our artillery and machine-guns.

## SOVIET APPEAL TO SLAVS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (UP).—Radio Moscow to-day broadcast an appeal, "blood for blood, death for death, start the liberation war against Germany and Fascism."

This appeal was launched at a meeting of "all Slavs" and broadcast in fifteen Slavic languages. It was charged that the Germans had murdered three million Poles, while in Yugoslavia, 32,000 civilians were murdered in the first week of German occupation, and the total number killed is 30,000.

## ALL-AMERICAN EAGLE SQUADRON

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A second All-American Eagle Squadron has been formed in the R.A.F., states the Air Ministry, and has already had its first encounter with the enemy.

As a result the squadron claims one Junkers 88 as "probably destroyed."

## Control Over Stock Exchange

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SIANGHAI, Aug. 11 (UP).—Morning papers in Tokyo today predicted that at the meeting this afternoon of the General Mobilization Investigatory Council, Prince Kanoye, the Premier, will recommend a complete State control over the stock exchange, enough restrictions in daily fluctuations.

## Emergence Of Canada As A Sea Power

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Canada is planning a ship-building programme including the construction of destroyers and the launching of 1,000,000 tons of merchant ship-building next year.

This fresh aspect of the Allied war effort is among the topics being discussed by Mr Angus MacDonald, the Canadian Navy Minister, Rear-Admiral P. W. Nelles, the Canadian Chief of Staff, Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, and other Admiralty officials in London this week.

**Technical Aid**  
Mr MacDonald told reporters that technical assistance was needed and he hoped to obtain this from Britain. The merchant ship-building programme was begun this summer and the first vessel would be ready for the end of the year. Next year he expected to have 100 new merchantmen on the water.

The whole scheme will come to maturity next year when it is expected that one million tons will be launched, but doubtless the figure will be increased in the following year.

"If trouble comes in the Pacific," Mr MacDonald said, "all I am able to say is that Canada will dispose of its fleet to the best advantage. The first duty of our navy will be to defend Canada wherever that may take it."

Since war broke out, the Canadian Navy has grown from 13 ships to 220, and the personnel from 1,800 to 22,000.

## STOCK EXCHANGE Firm Undertone

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quietly steady. Far Eastern uncertainties influenced the markets early but a firm undertone again became apparent towards the close.

Breweries and South American rails continued to advance on further buying while Japanese bonds had a downward trend, but elsewhere movements were generally trifling with gilt-edged and Kaffirs a shade lower, and oils and industrials well held.

## Finland Bombed

HELSINKI, Aug. 11 (UP).—An official communiqué states that enemy planes on Sunday night bombed Rauma, Hamina and Leckelä.

## Revenge Said Motive Of Assault

A man named Douglas Gifford of No. 200, Sai Yeung Choi Street, was the victim of a revenge assault by three Chinese on Talpo Street junction with Maple Street last night, according to a report to the Police. The report stated that two of the men were armed with hammers. One of the men is said to have been arrested.

## Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

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T.T. Shanghai	405
T.T. Singapore	92 1/2
T.T. India	102 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 3/4
T.T. Batavia	40 3/4
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	105
T.T. Switzerland	105
T.T. Australia	1/10 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/4
4 m/s France	102 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

## PIPING OIL ACROSS U. S.

Defence Measure

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A joint plan for the construction of a 1,820-mile oil pipe-line system has been submitted to Mr Harold Ickes, the Petroleum Defence Administrator, by 11 large oil companies to-day.

The system would be capable of delivering 250,000 barrels of oil a day into the New York area from the southwest.

Planes call for an immediate start and completion within nine months. The formal agreement would become effective as soon as Mr Ickes approves the plan and the President proclaims the line necessary for national defence.

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A proclamation to this effect from the President would clear the way for the creation of a jointly-owned \$80,000,000 "National Defence Pipelines Inc." the financing of which is being arranged through private placement of five-year notes.

Field surveying by aerial photography is already under way. This will ensure the start of the initial project with minimum delay.

## Few Raiders Over Britain

LONDON, Aug. 11 (UP).—A joint Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communiqué states that a few raiders flew off the east coast of England and Scotland last night but only one penetrated inland. Bombs which were dropped at points in Scotland caused neither damage nor casualties.

**Nothing To Report**

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—"Nothing to report" was the terse communiqué issued this evening by the Ministry of Home Security.

## British Tanker Sunk

BERLIN, Aug. 11 (UP).—According to the official news agency, a German long-range bomber to-day sank an 8,000-ton British tanker out of a strongly escorted convoy in the Atlantic 500 kilometers west of Cadiz.

## Hull Warns Congress Not To Weaken Army

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The failure of Congress to extend the service of Army rank and file would have an "exceedingly bad" psychological effect alone on the international situation, declared the Secretary of State Mr Cordell Hull at a press conference to-day.

Mr Hull authorized a direct quotation of the words "exceedingly bad" in order to emphasize them.

Mr Hull declined to discuss specific details of the Army extension legislation. He said that he was considering the general effect that failure to pass some extension would have on American foreign relations.

Replying to a question whether the present dangers to the United States warranted some extension, Mr Cordell Hull said that reading newspaper headlines should emphasize that dangers do exist.

When told that some members of Congress appeared to be fully unaware of these dangers, Mr Hull replied that that seemed to be the matter. He recalled that he had made numerous statements over a period of years warning people regarding the objectives of certain nations in the direction of unlimited conquest by force.

**No Japanese Settlement**

Mr Hull declared as baseless a report that the United States had offered a plan of settlement involving certain concessions to Japan if the Japanese would withdraw from the Axis. Mr Hull said that settlement of American-Japanese differences must include all fundamental questions involved in the present conflict of policies.

He added that if the United States took up anything with Japan regarding a general settlement, it would be based on all the fundamental principles which the United States had enunciated during the past few years.

## STOCK EXCHANGE SUBSCRIBES A BATTLESHIP

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The sum of £8,000,000 has been raised to provide a British battleship by the Stock Exchange Savings group.

An announcement to this effect made to-day added that the whole sum was raised since July 1.

New the group aims to raise by the end of September sufficient money to pay for an aircraft carrier, a cruiser, a large destroyer, a submarine, a corvette, a motor torpedo-boat, an anti-submarine boat, a bomber and a medium tank.

## Common Defence Conference

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
MONTEVIDEO, Aug. 11 (UP).—The Minister of Defence to-day told the press that he would call the American nations for a military defence conference. The statement is the first official move for a hemisphere defence meeting.

The Defence Minister stated, "It is necessary as soon as possible to establish a formula for co-operation by all American nations for common defence. The moment for action has arrived."

## Australian Cabinet

MELBOURNE, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The emergency Cabinet meeting will be continued to-morrow.

An early conference with Mr John Curtin, the Labour leader, is indicated.

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## Cost Of Living Of Civil Servants

The Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor to advise on high cost of living allowance for dollar-paid Government officials who are on the permanent staff, other than those whose salaries do not exceed \$35 a month, held its second meeting in Mr Justice Cressall's Chambers at the Supreme Court yesterday.

The Committee comprises Mr Justice P. E. F. Cressall (Chairman), the Hon. Mr Li Tse-tong, Mr A. J. C. Taylor, Mr Ng Chuk-wing, Mr Q. A. A. Macdonald, with Mrs W. A. Jones as Secretary.

The Hon. Mr W. J. Carrie, Chairman of the Urban Council, attended the meeting yesterday and made a statement to the Committee. He was questioned by various members of the Committee with regard to the matters into which they are inquiring.

**Family Budgets**

The Secretary reported that in response to the Committee's circular, several members of the junior staff had submitted memoranda with regard to their family budgets. These statements will be circulated to members of the Committee after which it is possible the Committee will call some of these officers to amplify their views.

It is hoped to hear evidence from representatives of outside firms with regard to what they have done on the question of high cost of living allowance to their employees and it is also expected that the Manager of the railways will attend one of the meetings and give his views to the Committee.

At the moment, it is not proposed to hold any of the meetings in public.

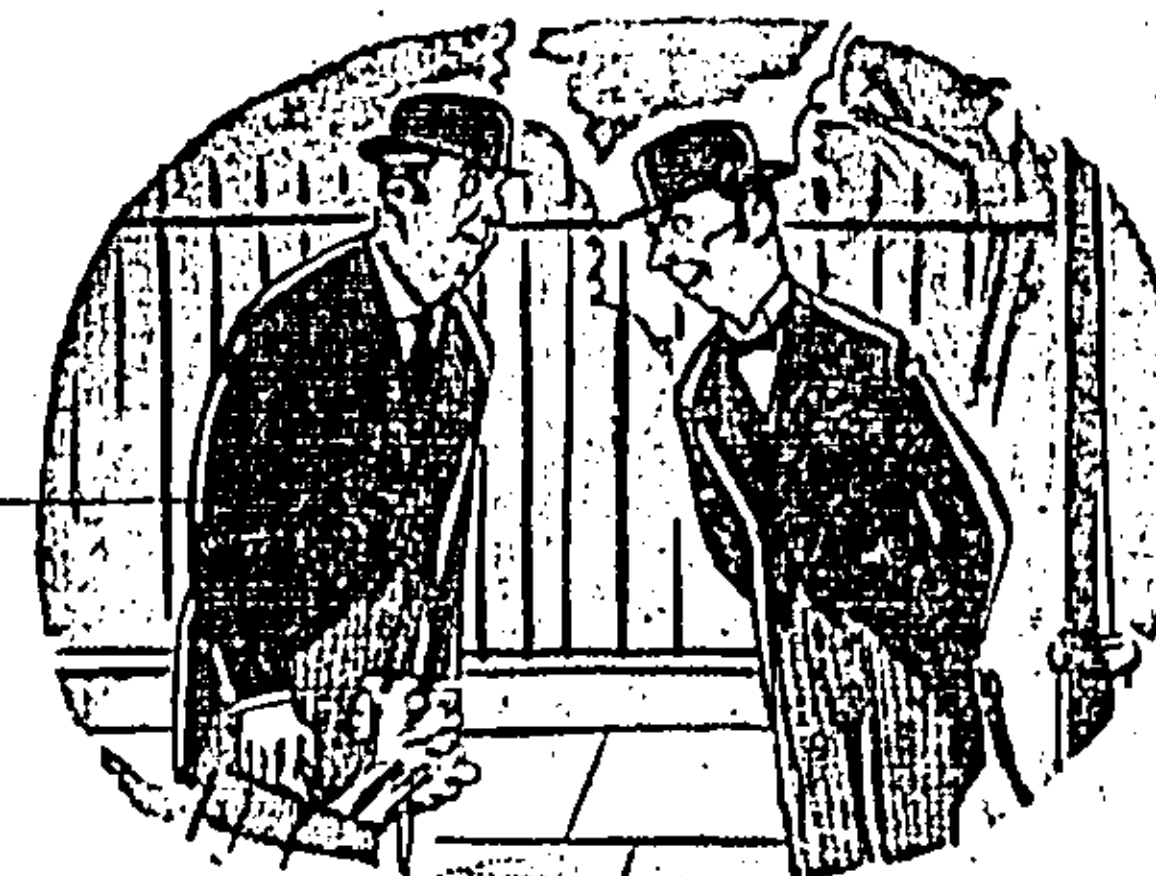
The next meeting will take place this afternoon when the Director of Medical Services, the Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, will give evidence.

## YOUNG MARSHAL STATEMENT BY GOVERNMENT

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Questioned concerning Marshal Chung Hsueh-liang, the Young Marshal, Mr Wang Shih-chieh, Publicity Minister, said that though his sentence was commuted, a Court Martial had ordered the placing of the Marshal under the strict surveillance of the National Military Council for five years, adding that the Marshal had already been under surveillance for more than four years.

Replying to another question, Mr Wang stated that no major clashes between Communist and Central forces were reported in the past fortnight.

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# "Ball Fan's" Baseball Notes

## Sappers Suffer Year's Biggest Beating



ACTION AT THE PLATE. Nip Lum, Mohawks, trots across while Bill Chang, Chung Hwa catcher, reaches spectacularly for a high throw.—Ming Yuen.

### Joe Louis Admits That He's "Slipping"

DETROIT.—Joe Louis, by his own admission, is "slipping."

"I ain't near the fighter I used to be," the heavyweight boxing champion asserted.

"I guess I've slipped pretty far. Won't know how far until my next fight with Lou Nova in September," he continued. "If I find then I've slipped too far, I'll give it all up. Ain't no use goin' on—just to get punched around."

#### Conn Battle

WHAT made Louis think he had gone back so far?

"Why," he answered, "what happened in the (Billy) Conn fight. I have him in the third round and again in the fifth, but I can't finish him. I knew then that I've slipped. Chapple (Jack Blackburn, his trainer) kept telling me that no little fellow should beat me, especially no little fellow who was 25 pounds lighter'n me."

"But I can't stop him till the thirteenth round. Then, I think it was Conn who beat himself. He fight himself out in the twelfth and then I finish him in the thirteenth."

**Tough Grind**

WHAT did he really think caused him to slip so far?

"Dunno for sure," he said. "Guess it was a couple of things. I been working too hard. I been in training since November 13, and ain't had but one little vacation of two weeks between fights."

"I guess my training for Buddy Baer in Washington helped some, too. The building I trained in had a tin roof. It was awful hot there. I noticed that in my sparring I was getting tired after two rounds. Figured it was the heat that done it."

### Nineteenth Defence Of World Title

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (UP).—Mike Jacobs, promoter of the Twentieth Century Club, Madison Square Garden, announced to-day that Joe Louis, world heavyweight boxing champion, will defend his title against Lou Nova, at the Yankee Stadium, New York, on September 10.

Nova beat Max Baer impressively twice and also defeated Pat Combs, another promising heavyweight. Nova has not, however, met Joe Louis before.

Tony Galento knocked out Lou Nova in 1939, but it was later revealed that Nova was suffering from a blood infection which later threatened his life.

Joe Louis has a wonderful record to date and has only been knocked out once during his professional career—by Mike Schmeling, of Germany. The Negro will make the 19th defence of his title on September 10. He has fought seven times at the Yankee Stadium, where he beat Primo Carnera (Italy), Max Baer (U.S.), Tony Galento (U.S.), Tommy Farr (Great Britain), Jack Sharkey (U.S.) and Arturo Godoy (Argentina).

Anyhow, I know I ain't as good a fighter as I used to be."

### Two Records Broken At U.S. Aquatic Meet

ST LOUIS, Aug. 8 (Dome).—Bronzed swimmers from Maxwell swept through the final day of the national A.U. swimming meet with a flourish that put a convincing touch to their string of victories throughout the three-day tournament, breaking two national records in the process.

Records were hung up in the 500-metre race by Kiyoshi Nakama, with a time of 10 mins 52/10 secs and the 300-metre medley by Jose Balmores, with a time of 3 mins 58/10 secs.

Adolf Klefer provided the lone break in the string of Hawaiian swimming victories with a triumph in the 100-metre backstroke.

**Results**

The events and times of winners follow:

100 metres freestyle.—1, Tetsushi Hirose (Hawaii); 2, Otto Jarek (Chicago Towers Club); 3, Bill Frey (Detroit); 4, Dick Lyon (California Athletic Club). Time—1 min 17/10 secs.

100 metres backstroke.—1, Adolf Klefer (Chicago Towers); 2, Fred Goss (Dallas, A.C.); 3, Bruce Donaldson (Washington A.C.); 4, Bob Trumble (Nauvoo, Y.O.C.A.). Time—1 min 32/10 secs.

200 metres breaststroke.—1, Jose Balmores (Hawaii); 2, Counsilman (St. Louis Y.O.C.A.); 3, Carlos River (Honolulu); 4, Ralph Wright (unattached). Time—2 mins 43/10 secs.

400 metres free style.—1, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 2, Kiyoshi Nakama; 3, Bill Smith (Hawaii); 4, Buemel Nakama; 5, Charles Oda. Time—10 mins 52/10 secs.

300 metres medley.—1, Jose Balmores (Hawaii); 2, Fred Goss (Dallas, A.C.); 3, Bill Frey (Detroit); 4, Dick Lyon (California Athletic Club). Time—3 mins 58/10 secs.

500 metres relay.—1, Hawaii (Hirose, Balmores, Oda, Smith); 2, Pasadena A.C.; 3, Huntington (Oda, Smith, Frey, Lyon); 4, California (Lyon, Frey, Smith, Oda). Time—9 mins 14/10 secs.

10-metre diving.—1, Earla Clark (Ohio State University); 2, Norman Sper (Santa Barbara); 3, Harry Peay (Santa Barbara); 4, Michael Priano (Plathurst Boys Club, Brooklyn).

200 metres medley relay.—1, Tower Club (Chicago); 2, Hawaii; 3, Pasadena Athletic Club; 4, Pasadena Athletic Club. Time—3 mins 29/10 secs.—Dome.

#### League Tennis

### South China Overwhelm K. Tong 8-1

SOUTH CHINA trounced Kowloon Tong 8-1 in the "A" Division of the local tennis league yesterday at King's Park. E. Lee and C. C. Ma were the only pair to take a set for the losers, while T. E. Ling and S. K. Kwok conceded three sets on walks-over.

Scores were:

S. C. Dew and P. See-to beat F. H. Kwok and P. Fletcher 5-0; lost to E. Lee and C. C. Ma 2-0; walk over from T. E. Ling and S. K. Kwok.

K. H. Ip and W. H. Ho beat Kwok and Fletcher 6-0; beat Lee and Ma 6-2; walk over from Ling and Yee.

W. T. Lee and W. C. Ho beat Kwok and Fletcher 6-2; beat Lee and Ma 6-1; walk over from Ling and Yee.

### Mindanao Take Custody Of Bagram Shield

#### Maroons Trounce Mohawks

"High-scoring wins"—a term literally sprayed throughout baseballdom as a pain-producing heart-ache to scorekeepers and umpires, yet a heart-throb with a Turkish Delight thrown in, to the winners—gave the local two-game baseball card, the first programme in many a week, that added "merrily we go around" flavour. The scattered few in the stands looked with dismal awe as hickory batons and horse-hides took a terrific pounding.

Mindanao's terrific M, sailing down the clear home stretch toward the Bagram Shield, smothered a really weak Royal Engineer nine with a heavy avalanche of runs and basehits 27-4. It was the highest platter-crossing tilt marked up by the Mindanao scorekeeper this season in their clear dash toward the pennant.

THE Chung Hwa Maroons barged into the first division for keeps, lambasting Charlie Waggoner's Redskin Tribe 19-8 behind the five hit twirling of Al "spectacles" Lau.

CHAMPIONS for two years in a row and pride of American ball fans in the Colony, the pennant holders closed out their series with Welford's Royal Engineers in dazzling style, pounding out a sixteen hit barrage to sweep twenty-seven tallies across the plate.

The league leaders played a "hurry up" scoring game, garnering their grand total in five frames. Sending the slugging Tony Muscavage to the hillock in his first start against the Sappers this year, the terrific M opened up their tremendous spree in the last of the initial frame after the Engineers had tallied a lone run on a walk and a wild throw by third sacker Bowersox.

Woe Willie Wilson lined Mickey Sarsfield's second toss into left field for a clean single. Ruel took first on a wild throw, sending the fleet-footed Wilson home with the champions' first tally. Ski Powlawski walked and two more runs crossed the plate on two errors. Tony Muscavage cashed in with the fourth run in this opening frame on another miscue.

The loose holding Sappers threatened with three runs in the second canto when hurler Tony Muscavage weakened momentarily.

George Harper ran all the way to first base on a muffed third strike. After Davis and Pete Fox both whiffed in the sweltering breeze, Foley walked. Mac Shaw's driving single through third sent the rookie Harper and Foley riding across the pan. Elvodie Taylor lifted a single over third driving in lanky Mac Shaw. Wolfe Welford fled to left field, ending the Sappers' high-scoring inning.

Breaking loose with a vengeance in their half of the 2nd, the American gunboat nine rolled through with a six run outburst, on a walk, two wild pitches and successive singles by Crooner Ruel, Ski Powlawski, Tony Muscavage and R. J. Wilson.

This inning featured Reg "what a man" Daniels, in his first starry game with the champions. The popular Daniels, Mindanao's No. 1 ball fan, crashed across the plate with his first run of the season, on Crooner Ruel's smash hit.

The Yankee tars blasted away with five more runs in the 3rd stanza, stormed through the Sapper defence with eight "count 'em" runs in the 4th frame on five staggering blows, and finished off their scoring rampage in the 5th with four final runs, as the weary ball-shagging Engineers took their worst trimming of the season.

Showing a complete "volte-face" after their sensational win over the champions, Charlie

#### Weekend Stars

Willie Wilson and Ski Powlawski, Mindanao—Former smashed out the longest hit of the fray, a sizzling triple in the 4th canto and also crossed the pan with five tallies in the champions' big win; latter played a versatile game behind the plate and hurled shut-out ball in the relief role.

Chan Yu-tin and Wally Ching, Chung Hwa Maroons—Former led the Maroon slugging attack, slamming out three bingles and coming in with four runs; latter marked up three Chinese runs and hurled steady relief ball in the humid heat.

Waggoner's Mohawks figured the season was all over when only six Redmen showed up at the ball park.

With Bill Silva, Eddie Marques and Smudge Smith given contracts in a last minute grandstand front-office deal, the Mohawks started the game with these additional rookies.

Wally Ching's muff in the opening stanza brought Nip Lum teeming over the pan with the first Mohawk run, but the Maroons came back in their half with a single tally when Choy Ping-fun walked, stole second and crossed the platter on Nip Lum's gifted miscue.

The Chinese took the coveted lead in the 2nd frame with a lone run and crashed through with six markers in a high-riding 3rd stanza on four walks, three errors and a bingle. Continuing their desperate move for more runs, the Chung Hwa men added three tallies in the 4th canto and climaxed their fifth win of the year with eight runs in the next stanza.

Highlight of the game was the dazzling double play in the 1st inning when Nip Lum nabbed Bill Chang's sizzling liner to double Morocco Chan off second with a fast throw to Mac Wong.

Starting twirler Smudge Smith was sent to the showers in the 3rd frame. Relief hurler Mac Wong found trouble in locating the plate and Doc Molthen was sent in to finish the game.

**Scores:**

	R.	H.	E.
Mohawks	10	15	0
Chung Hwa	1	5	0
Batteries:—Smudge Smith, Mac Wong, Doc Molthen and Chas. Waggoner, Nip Lum; Al Lau and Bill Chang.			
Engineers	1	3	0
Mindanao	4	0	0

Batteries:—Mickey Sarsfield, Mac Shaw and Foley; Tony Muscavage, Ski Powlawski, Tony Muscavage.

#### League Standing

	W.	L.	Pts.
Mindanao	7	1	875
H.K. Brewers	4	1	800
Chung Hwa Maroons	5	3	825
Ashville Reds	1	1	500
H.K. Baseball Club	3	5	373
Royal Engineers	2	6	250
South China	1	6	140

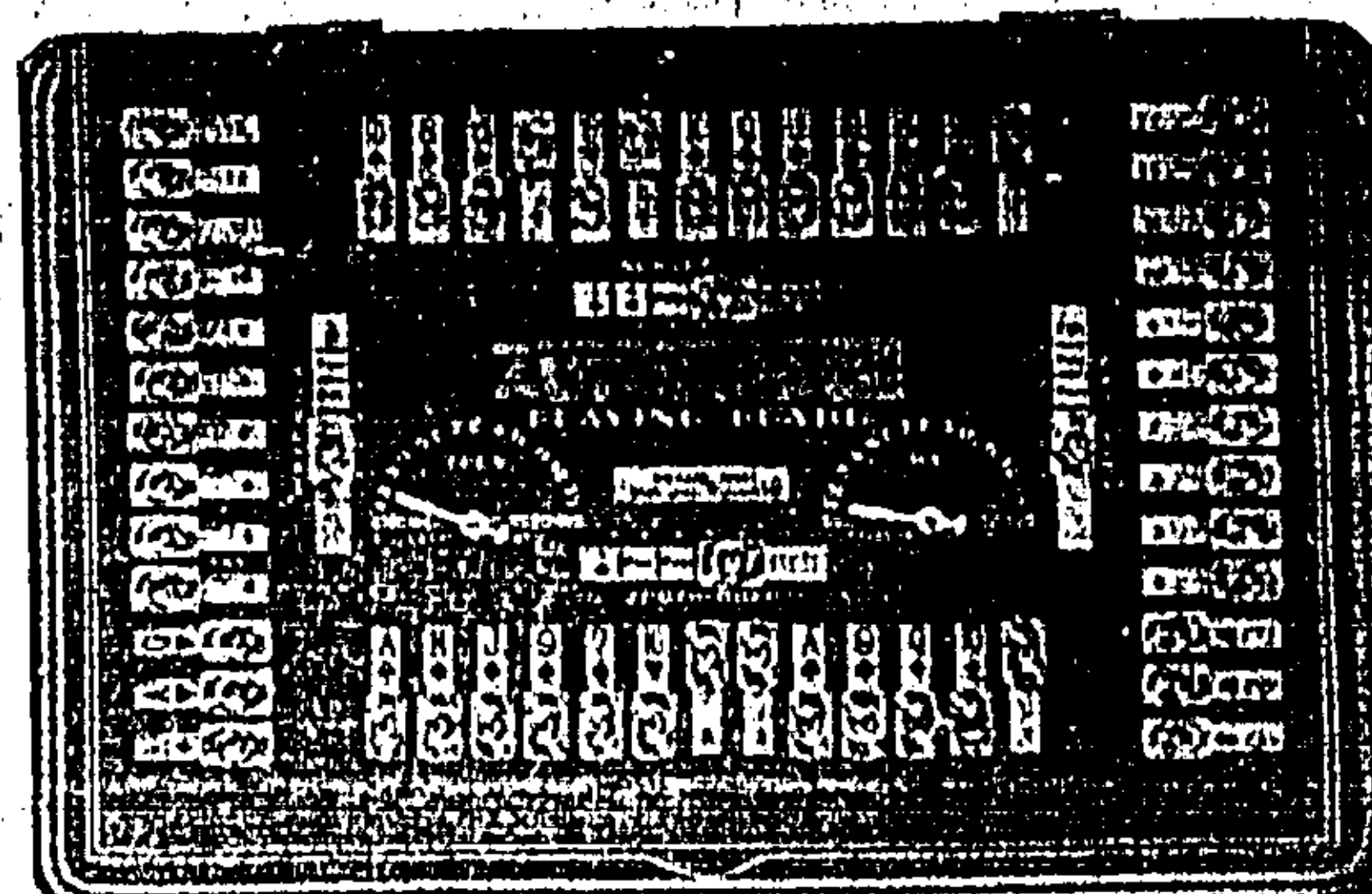
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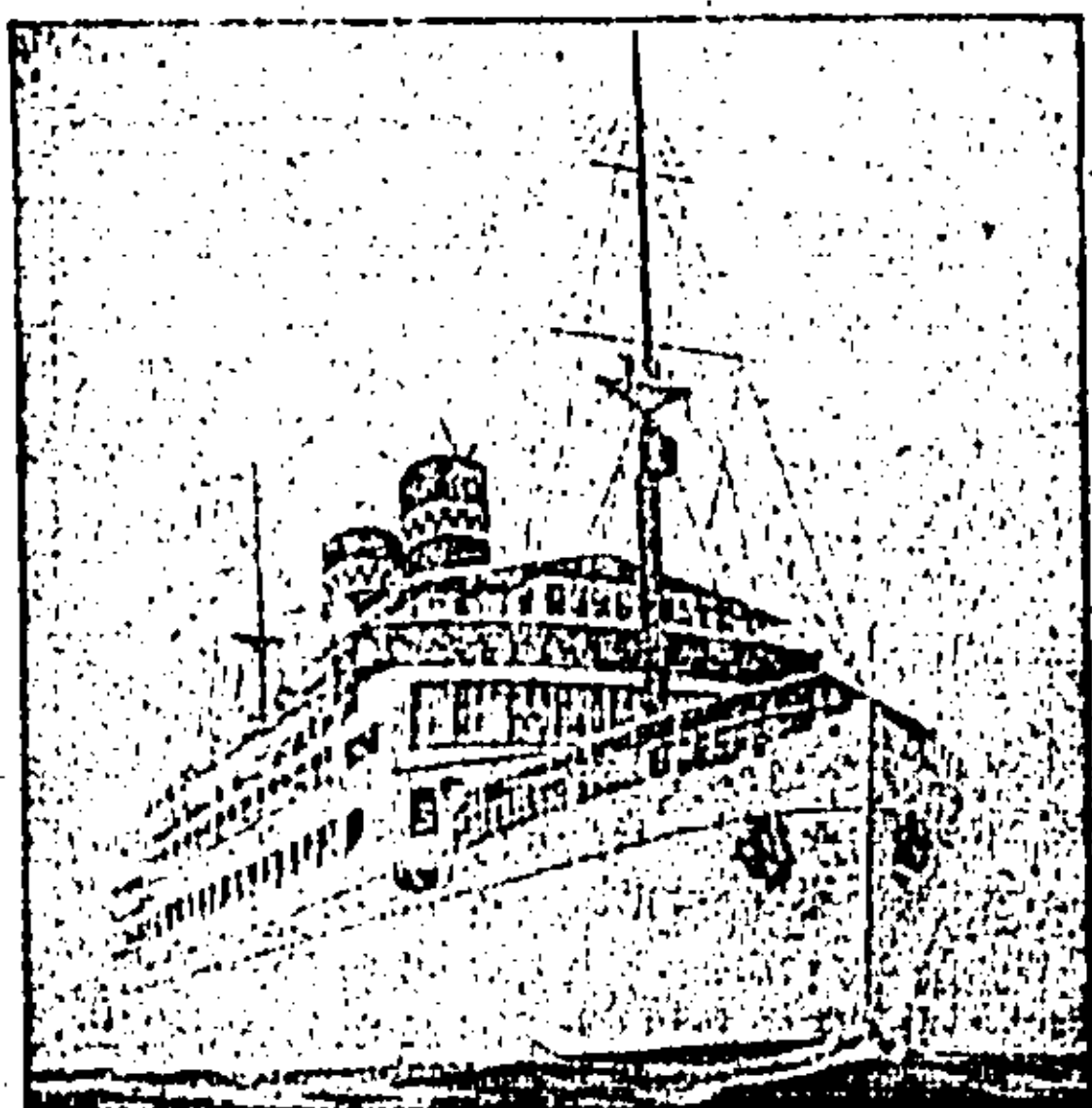
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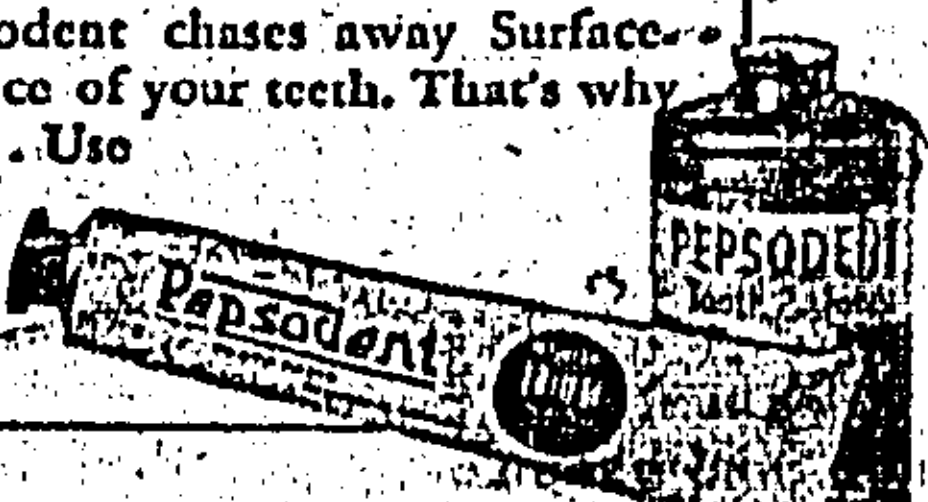


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## Two-Ocean Fleet Of U.S. Two Years Nearer

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, August 11 (Dome).—A Navy spokesman declared that the fleet building speed-up which is cutting the construction time of new warships by an average of 12.5 per cent, for each vessel, will give the United States a two-ocean navy two years earlier than scheduled.

The spokesman said that barring labour troubles or actual war the Navy would be "substantially ready" by 1944 instead of 1946 or 1947.

Although some of the 17 battle-ships authorised and perhaps certain other large units will still be uncompleted, the United States by 1944 should have the world's most powerful fleet ready "for any possible combination" of powers.

The triple shift work in Navy yards, authorisation of overtime pay, and new worker training programmes began to show their results in the accelerated deliveries which began to reach their peak in June and July.

According to the spokesman, the Government is paying for overtime in 14 private plants building warships whose contracts were let on the basis of a 44-hour week. During the period of June and July, vessels were launched almost every week with the keels laid of 38 ships including the aircraft-carrier Cabot, five cruisers, 24 destroyers, and eight submarines while eight warships including the South Dakota were launched.

There are indications that in accordance with the repeated recommendation of the Secretary of State, Col. Frank Knox, emphasis is being laid on the destroyer programme at the expense of heavier ships. It is recalled that the Merle Island Navy Yard recently reported that the submarine fleet under construction there was from two months to a full year ahead of schedule.

## Civilian Governor For Bermuda

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wire- less).—His Majesty's Government have decided to advise His Majesty that in the present circumstances, it is preferable that the Governor of Bermuda should be a civilian.

In order to facilitate the change, the present Governor Lieut-General Sir Denis Bernard has placed his resignation in the hands of His Majesty, who has accepted it.

## Unemployment In Gt Britain Decrease Continues

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The total registered unemployment in Great Britain on July 14 was:

Men and Boys.—113,002.  
Women and Girls.—103,915.

Of these 33,000 men and 3,000 women were classified as unsuitable for ordinary industrial employment. These figures show a decrease on the previous month of more than 24,000 unemployed. In fact the labour market has now become so "tight" that even men approaching the age of 50 are finding a demand for their services.

So urgent are the demands for labour in the London area that an increase in the available labour "pool" has had to be made by transferring labour from one industry to another through the medium of industrial registration. As younger women are absorbed into war industries, the older ones are taking their places in the less vital jobs such as distribution even where this is possible only on a part-time basis.

## A.R.P. Inspection This Evening

Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of A.R.P., will this evening inspect and bid farewell to the Yeomail and Shamshupo Divisions of A.R.P. at the A.R.P. Club.

The parade will be held at 7 o'clock and the inspection at 7.30. It is expected that between 700 and 800 wardens will parade.

The Hunghom, Tamshtsui, Mongkok and Kowloon City Divisions will parade on August 20 at the same time and place.

## Japanese Leaving Singapore

SINGAPORE, Aug. 11 (Central News).—The first group of Japanese to evacuate Malaya following the worsening of the Far Eastern situation left Singapore yesterday and many others are expected to follow shortly.

The biggest difficulty in the Japanese evacuation is lack of transportation facilities owing to the closure of Japanese shipping lines and it is reported that a request has been made to the Japanese Government for a special ship to evacuate Japanese from Singapore.

The Japanese here are determined to send their families back to Japan as soon as transportation is available. Japanese firms in Malaya are obliged to curtail their staffs following the freezing order.

## Chungking Blitzkrieged

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Chungking had its worst aerial bombardment yesterday.

During the last four days, the Japanese used 400 aircraft and dropped over 3,000 bombs.

For the first time yesterday, army planes were used.

**Kunming Attacked**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
INDO-CHINA BASE, Aug. 11 (Dome).—With the return of fine weather, Japanese Naval aircraft this afternoon again attacked Kunming, the capital of Yunnan Province, blasting munitions warehouses and a power plant in the western part of the city, the South China Fleet Command announced. Many Chinese planes flew up as if to meet the Japanese onslaught.

Chinese anti-aircraft guns failed to show activity and all Japanese planes returned to their base safely, the naval communique says.

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wire- less).—A campaign to educate the public in the matter of "poison gas" has been launched and will begin with an exhibition in London from August 14 to September 9.

## Australian Minister Utters Stern Warning

Special to the "Telegraph"

DES MOINES, Iowa, Aug. 11 (UP).—The Australian Minister, Mr Richard Casey addressed the Iowa Department of the American Legion this evening and declared that the Nazis are seeking by fighting or threats, to dominate the entire world, including South America where, he charged, thousands of Nazi agents are now working.

He was of the opinion that the events of the past two years vindicated Australia's prompt decision to enter the war at the outset, and that the United States had regarded the struggle as a European war and had underestimated the scope of Hitler's ambition which had progressively expanded during the last two years.

"Hitler ravaged over eleven nations and is now engaged in a terrible war with Russia. You know what is going on in the Far East. You know what is happening in South America. You know what may happen again in northwest America," Mr Casey declared. "The ring is closing in. Hitler's plan is far enough developed that the purpose of it is plain and cannot be concealed any more."

He asserted that Germany has thrown millions of troops against Russia; that Japan had joined the Axis; that Turkey had been bludgeoned into silence and that "Nazi agents by the thousands are hard at work in South America."

Germany from the beginning was frank about her aims and "carried them out with remarkable force and cunning. She is half way and more to her objective of world domination and the rattle of German drums can be heard in other areas upon which she has designs. The only fly in the ointment is that she and her friends have not yet overrun the British countries—have not yet overrun the United States or Russia."

The facts require full scale mutual co-operation. "I believe the continued existence of Britain is essential to the United States—just as the continued existence of the United States is essential to us. I believe that the United States and the British Empire are like two blades of the scissors—they must work together to do their job."

## British Prisoners In Greece

Many Transferred

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wire- less).—The Red Cross and St John War Organisation announces that from the latest figures at their disposal it would appear that about 2,000 British prisoners of war taken in Greece have been evacuated to German prison camps.

At the end of July there were over 9,000 prisoners at Salonika and about 2,000 wounded officers and men in hospital in Athens.

There were over 3,000 still to be evacuated from Crete but it was possible that not all the latter were British.

The International Red Cross have despatched upwards of 24,000 food parcels from reserve stocks in Genoa to Greece, it being understood that a restricted rail service is in operation.

## Atlantic-Pacific Life-Line

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
MEXICO CITY, Aug. 11 (UP).—President Manuel Camacho to-day ordered the National Railway Administration immediately to rehabilitate the 104 miles of rail lines across the Tehuantepec Isthmus between Puerto Mexico and Salina Cruz, which Government circles said would serve the hemisphere as a life line between the Atlantic and the Pacific in the event of the Panama Canal becoming crippled.

## MANCHUKUO ADOPTS PRECAUTIONS

Russo-Japanese Parleys Denied In Capital

HSINKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).

—Far Eastern interest today seems centred on the South Pacific rather than here and it cannot be said that there is any outstanding change in Russo-Japanese relations, at least as viewed from the confines of Manchukuo. Here official utterances invariably re-echo Tokyo's sentiments.

The tension which followed Mr Matsuoka's departure from the Cabinet a few weeks ago is now noticeably lessened.

Rumours emanating from Shanghai that new Russo-Japanese negotiations are taking place are emphatically denied by High Foreign Office officials interviewed by "Reuters" correspondents. Other members of the Government similarly emphasise that any precautions which may be apparent in Manchukuo are of a purely defensive nature.

The Russo-German fighting is arousing the greatest interest here and each phase of the fighting is closely followed in the press which splashes on the front page all available details.

**Foreign Communities**

Foreign communities, particularly the English and American, whose unenviable position cannot be denied, are watching events closely. In these circles however, it is felt that even if events must fly it will be in the south rather than in the north that the tinderbox will be found.

Britons in Manchukuo, excluding Kwantung leased territory number nearly 300—comprising the Mukden consular district 200 and Harbin district 70, the majority of whom are missionaries. There are about a quarter of this number of Americans.

**Precautions**  
For obvious reasons Manchukuo's precautionary measures cannot be described but it is permitted to state that they include travelling restrictions and also occasional air raid practices in various cities. As regards the freezing of assets of various countries Manchukuo follows Tokyo step by step but in this connection the restrictions are recently said to have been eased and certain Manchukuoan firms with part Anglo-American capital have been allowed to resume operations.

## Navy Offered Yards Over Strikers

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Navy Department has been offered the Kearney Shipyard for "immediate possession and operation" by the Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Company.

Work at Kearney, New Jersey, is at a standstill following the strike of 18,000 workers, which is variously reported as involving the formation of a modified union shop and the presentation of wage increase demands.

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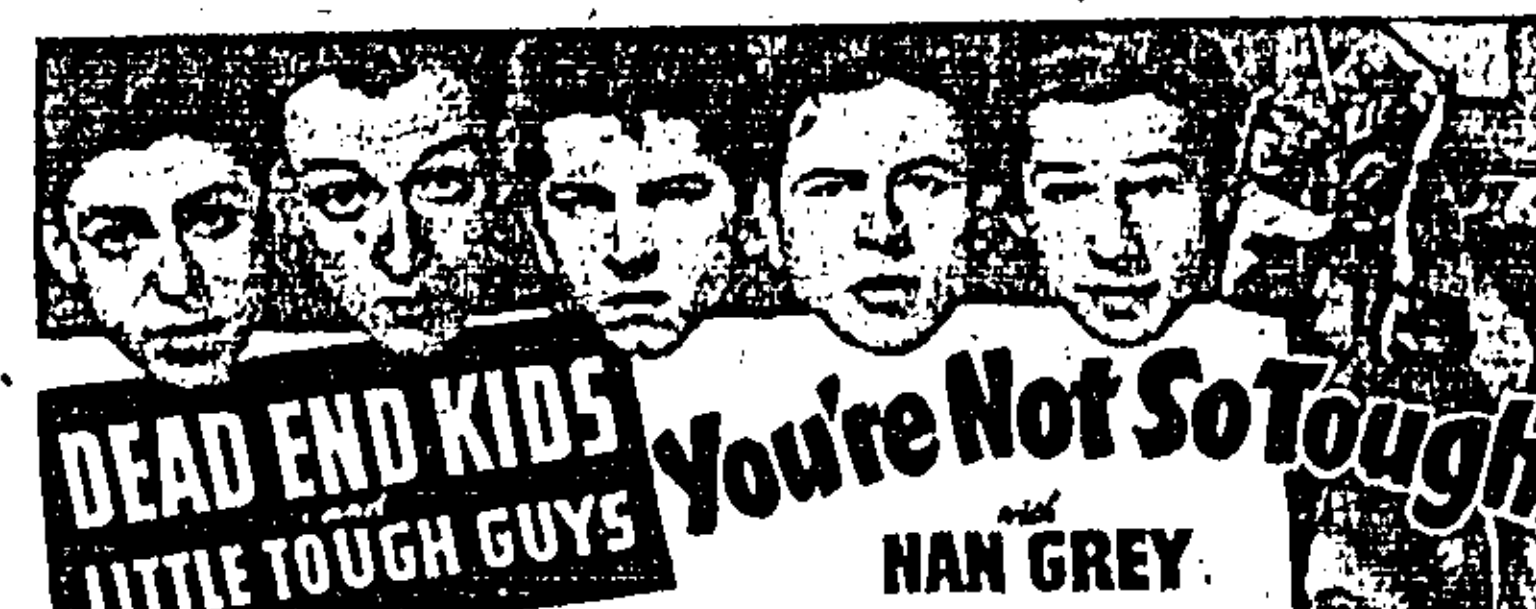


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## GERMAN DESIGNS ON CRIMEA

FROM PAGE ONE

number of newcomers to be at least two divisions. The Germans are rushing the rebuilding of the main bridge linking the Bulgarian railway with Istanbul lines.

German transportation difficulties, observers note, would be greatly facilitated if Germany were able to put pressure on Turkey peacefully using the shipping facilities at Istanbul which would also utilise the rail lines which are now but little used.

**Germans Advance** BERLIN, Aug. 11 (UP).—The official news agency reports that the battle of pursuit in the southern Ukraine has gathered such impetus that the Axis armies there are not far from the Black Sea coast. The Luftwaffe is participating effectively, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

**New Phase of War** STOCKHOLM, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—According to the Berlin correspondent of the "Dagbladet," well-informed Berlin circles declare that the new phase which is now opening on the eastern front will be decisive, for while pressure in the Ukraine is constantly increasing there is no relaxation in the central and Leningrad sectors.

Moscow and Leningrad are now seriously threatened, Berlin believes that the Russians have abandoned the idea of defending points between the Dnieper and Dniester Rivers and are now seeking to concentrate troops on a defence line east of the bank of the Dnieper.

**Heroism of Reds** The Berlin correspondent of the "Demokraten" says that a war correspondent with the panzer divisions at Smolensk gave a vivid account of the Russian heroism and disregard of death—especially Siberians.

**Soviet Communique** LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Today's Soviet communique announces fighting in the directions of Smolensk, Byelaya-Tserkov and Uman and in the Estonian sector of the front.

**Nearing Crisis** LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—A military commentary in the "Annalist" says that the latest Russian communique suggests that the Germans are still pressing very strongly all along the Russian front at Smolensk, southeast of Leningrad, and in south Ukraine.

The German troops, which have encountered almost inflexible opposition at Korosten and Byelaya-Tserkov are spreading southwards in the hope of finding a weak spot with a view to threatening Odessa. They do not seem to be getting much support from the Rumanians who are on their extreme right wing and much closer to Odessa.

Denial in the Russian line may be part of Marshal Budenny's elastic defence. But the Germans have avoided making any specific claims of territorial conquest and confine themselves to the usual indefinite claim that pursuit of the retreating foe is making rapid progress everywhere.

**Hitler Tactics** Hitler has never concealed the fact that the secret of his strategy is attack and again attack, never leaving the enemy any respite or time to recover their second wind but pressing ever onwards regardless of the loss until success is achieved.

This policy has been pursued without variation in Poland, France, Yugoslavia, Greece and Crete. It is a variant of Napoleon's famous "de laudare et toujours de laudare."

**Failed Against U.K.** It failed, however, in the Battle of Britain, which began just over a year ago and continued without let or pause for over six weeks when at last the Luftwaffe gave up the struggle after trying its utmost to break down the British resistance.

In Russia it is coming up against the same indomitable spirit. After seven weeks of fighting, continuous and relentless German pressure has forced back the Russian defence line along the whole of a 2,000-mile front; but nowhere can the Germans claim a major victory and nowhere has the Russian resistance wavered or shown signs of weakening.

The question which naturally arises is how long will Hitler's hard pressed troops be able to continue the pressure without showing signs of failure. There is a limit to the

## Far East Events Expected

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In the Middle East, the two great Democracies may let the Pacific go by default. The Japanese military Junta delight to initiate the Fuehrer and perhaps still believe in his star, but Japan will risk nothing to save Hitler from defeat.

**Japanese Junta** "While the Nazi legions are embedded in the Russian plains, the wheels of Japan's chariots in Manchukuo will turn. How much the Japanese oligarchs will venture in the south against Thailand, against Singapore, and beyond depends on the estimate of the strength which aggression would encounter. A large scale offensive by land, air and sea some three thousand miles away from Japanese ports is an enterprise from which even leaders responsible for the interminable wastage of Japan's strength in China might shrink.

**We Are Not Bluffing** The "Daily Mail" suggests that Japan is undecided whether to march against the Russians or Thailand, adding: "Perhaps there is a great deal of bluff in the threats she is making in both directions. If so, a further warning is needed that a bluff of this description, carried to extremes now manifest, is likely to create a position where the only move possible is forward. Those whom Japan threatens are not treating it as a bluff. They are making stern last-hour preparations to resist an attack jointly, as they have already given joint warnings.

**U.S. Leadership** "The United States will take the leadership in any action in the Pacific whether diplomatic or of a warlike character and we are well content with this. We, as well as Australia, are prepared to take any necessary action in the defence of our Imperial interests. We shall be ready to conform to a more comprehensive plan. Undoubtedly Hitler considers the moment for Japanese action well chosen probably by himself. When German forces are meeting fierce opposition in Russia it is time to create a diversion not only of Russian forces but also of American armaments from Britain and Russia to the menace of the Pacific. So Hitler undoubtedly thinks. So perhaps Japan thinks. But we remind our selves and them that the face of realities the ultimate success of any such desperate gamble is impossible and that the cost will be enormous."

**Odds Favour Russians** The odds, however, are in favour of the Russians who are fighting for freedom and in defence of their homes.

They are slowly falling back upon shortened lines of communication and are increasing their resources of men and material. The German advance must necessarily extend the German effort and increase the strain upon every mile left behind. It is now obvious that some definite result must emerge from the wide flung battle front in a matter of days rather than weeks.

**Reds Bomb Widely** MOSCOW, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The following is the text of a Soviet communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau at 11.30 p.m. G.M.T.

"During August 11, our troops continued fighting the enemy in the Smolensk, Byelaya-Tserkov and Uman directions. "Our air force continued to inflict blows on enemy panzer troops and infantry, attacked his aircraft on aerodromes and bombed a large railway bridge at Chernovodny on the Danube and ships at Constanza. The bridge was destroyed.

"On August 10, 39 enemy planes were destroyed. We lost 25.

**Nazi-Finn Raiders** "According to precise information now available, during the German raid on Moscow on the night of August 10, six German planes were brought down, not five as previously reported.

"The other day, between 60 and 70 German and Finnish planes attempted to carry out a mass raid on the Murmansk area. Detachments of enemy planes were intercepted by our fighters and fierce air combats ensued. With the very first vigorous onslaught, our fighters broke up the enemy's battle formation and the centralised direction of the German and Finnish planes was lost. They scattered into small groups."

## Impersonation Of Policemen

Forestry Guard Helps

Tung Ping, 24, unemployed, and Chin Chiu, 20, unemployed, were charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, J.C., at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, with impersonating Police officers at Kennedy Road yesterday. Complainant was Chan Sang, 33, unemployed.

Det.-Sgt Bentley stated that about 12.45 p.m. yesterday Complainant was walking along Kennedy Road with some firewood when the two Defendants approached him and said they were Police officers. Complainant did not believe them and asked them to produce their hand cuffs. Defendants failed to do so and assaulted Complainant.

A force of Gendarms, attracted by the noise, came on the scene and saw the two Defendants struggling with Complainant. The guard arrested the party and took them to Police Station.

Defendants were convicted and fined \$100 or two months' hard labour.

## LATE NEWS

### Taxi Drivers Go On Strike

At noon to-day drivers of the Yellow Taxi Cab Company, who went on strike yesterday, had not returned to work, and it is understood that should they fail to return to duty by 3 p.m. to-day, other drivers will be engaged.

It was learned that on Sunday two drivers who should have come on duty at 6.30 p.m. failed to arrive, and shortly after 8 p.m. messages were sent to the management that they were sick.

According to Mr. Lam, the Manager, the procedure was irregular and did not give the management sufficient time to engage substitutes. According to the rules of the Company, the action was subject to heavy penalties and the management suspended their services for one week.

**Re-Instatement** Yesterday morning the remaining drivers approached the management and demanded that the two drivers be immediately re-instated, otherwise they would go on strike. The demand not being granted, the employees walked out.

Word was later sent to their spokesman that they should return to work by 5 p.m., but they failed to do so. The management decided to extend the time to noon to-day, but the drivers were not at their posts at that hour. At a meeting held at the Labour Office shortly afterwards, it was decided that should the strikers fail to return to duty by 3 p.m. to-day, other drivers will be engaged.

It is understood that the employees on strike number about 40, who work in two shifts.

## Nazis Claim Big Advances

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, Aug. 11 (UP).—It is officially stated that German panzer units are sweeping through the Ukraine in a blitz on Russia's vital Black Sea ports, destroying "entire motorised columns" of the Red Army and capturing a number of prisoners.

The German army, supported by Hungarian cavalry and motorised forces, have already occupied more than half the Ukraine, according to reports.

General Budenny's prize Ukrainian armies are being wiped out. It is claimed, while the Nazi drives are so swift that Soviet commanders and divisional leaders as well as entire staffs are falling prisoners.

The German High Command reported that divisions numbering more than half a million Russian soldiers had been shattered.

The D.N.B. in front line accounts describing General Budenny's retreat says that 54 tanks and more than 300 trucks have been destroyed, while two Russian infantry commanders and two divisional commanders have been taken prisoner.

The German Luftwaffe is ranging ahead of the lightning German advance and is described as wrecking retreating Russians in ferry boats massed along the lower Bug River.

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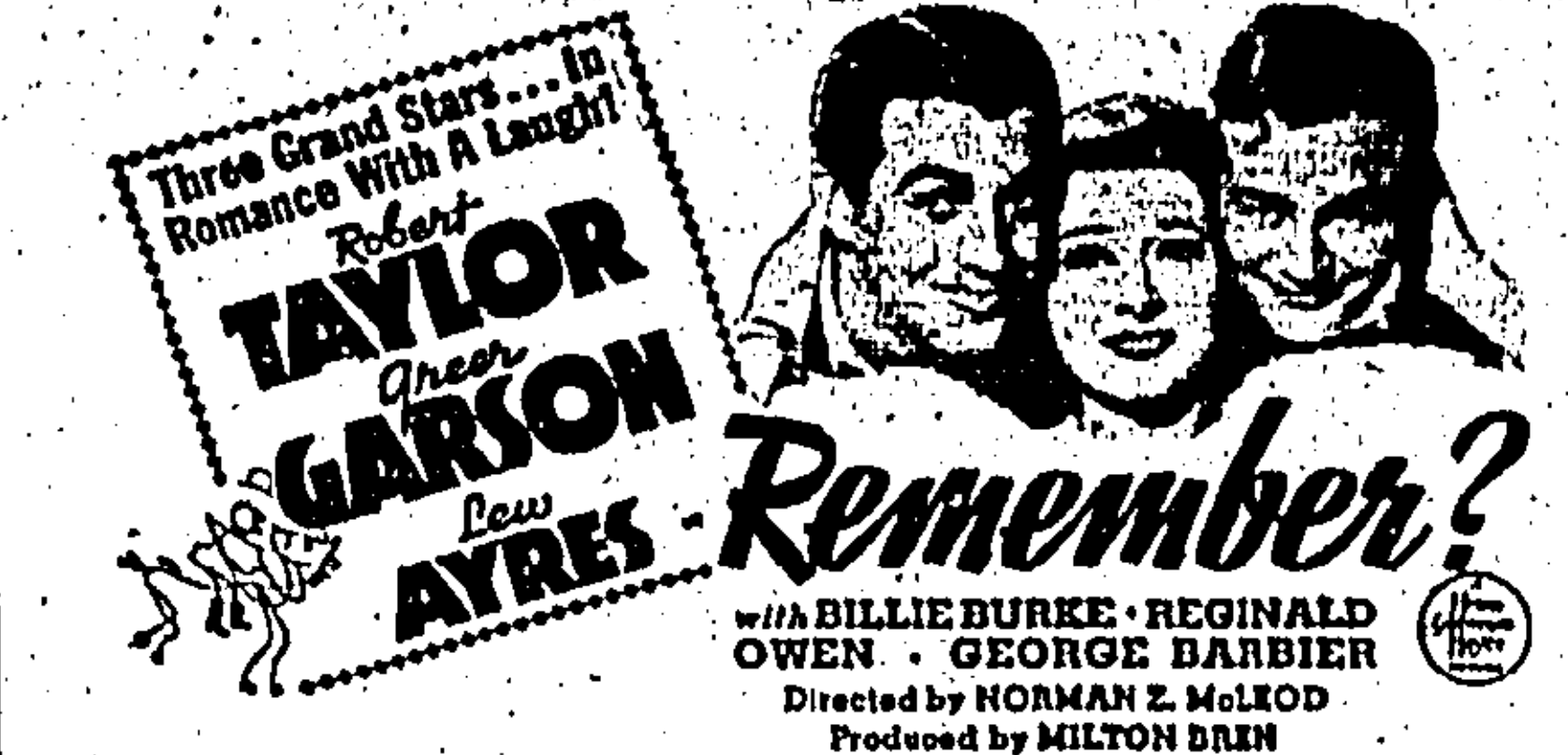
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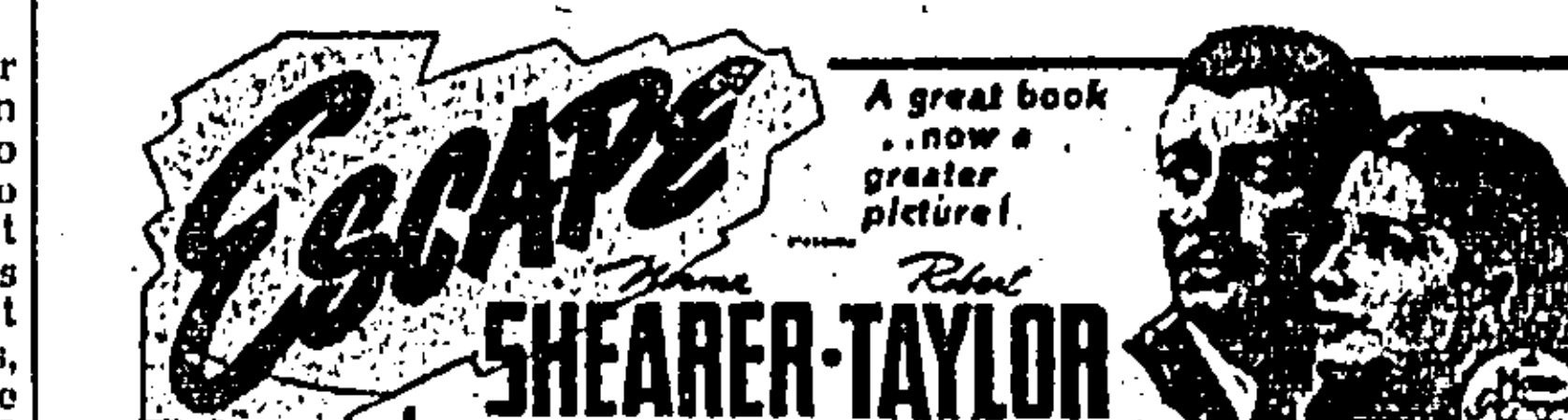
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## French To Hold Chinese Back

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The French handed Indo-China to the Japanese as a gift has evoked considerable disgust here, especially after the French insistence that honour in Syria could only be saved by fighting the British.

American relations with Vichy are rapidly approaching a climax and a break in the very near future would be hardly surprising, according to well-informed circles here.

The relations between the two governments have been hanging by a little more than a thread for some time and have probably been maintained by Washington chiefly to provide the administration with an important European listening post and also in the hope that American influence would to some extent offset German pressure on Vichy.

**Chungking Opinion** CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Mr. Wang Shi-chieh, Publicist, Minister, denying the report that 20,000 Chinese troops had been sent to the Shan States (Burma), declared that Thailand's attitude appeared to be firmer, probably as the result of statements by the British Foreign Secretary and the United States Secretary of State, but he believed that the situation was still uncertain unless Britain and the United States gave more adequate support to Thailand than economic measures if they hoped to check Japanese aggression and strengthen resistance on the part of Thailand.

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and a block house south of Misurata and also attacked enemy motor transport vehicles and petrol trailers in the same neighbourhood. All trailers were holed by machine-gun bullets and several lorries were overturned and destroyed. The formation then attacked two large ammunition and supply dumps at Buerat. Ammunition was exploded and personnel standing by were killed or wounded.

"Sixty" Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm made a torpedo attack on a

## New Nazi Thrusts In Progress

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thrusts on Odessa from the north and west are making progress. **Soviets Admit Thrusts** MOSCOW, Aug. 11 (Domel).—The Information Bureau communique admits that the Germans are striking forward at the Leningrad, Odessa and Kiev fronts. The German thrusts at other fronts have been halted, the communique says. For the first time, the Soviet communique reveals that intense fighting is going on in the directions of Soltsi and Uman.

**Turmanik Area Bombed** MOSCOW, Aug. 11 (UP).—Sixty-seven German planes recently made a mass raid on the Turmanik region. Sixteen were shot down and two were damaged according to a communique issued to-day.

**Nazi Officer's Story** BERLIN, Aug. 11 (UP).—Lieutenant Bones who has been serving panzer division told the foreign press to-day that there has been no Russian advance in Smolensk since July 17.

Lt. Bones, who participated in the fighting inside Smolensk said that he first saw the city on the afternoon of July 10 and that it "was one sheet of flames." His detachment entered the city at dusk and throughout the night threw bridgeheads across the Dnieper river.

He stated that the Germans were surprised by the strength of the Russians and were forced occasionally to alter their tactics. He termed the Russian armament as being excellent especially the artillery, but said that the equipment of the individual soldier was unbelievably poor.

**German Claims** BERLIN, Aug. 11 (UP).—It is officially announced that German forces destroyed 64 Russian tanks, 528 trucks, 54 aeroplanes and also several trains and motorised columns during the advances on the Leningrad and Ukrainian fronts where the Commanders of two Soviet infantry corps and two divisional Commanders are reported to have been taken prisoner.

A large merchant vessel at Syracuse was also destroyed. A quantity of bombs was also dropped at Augusta, one making a direct hit on a gasometer. "From these operations all our aircraft returned safely."

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